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# NEWS

## Editors' Note!

Hey, guys. It's Reed and Andy here. Before we begin our editor's note, we just want to introduce ourselves as the new Editors-in-Chief (although Andy's really fat and old). Usually, we use this space to tell you readers all about the crazy hijinks of our Production Week (sorry, no zombies this time...only mummies, werewolves, and Reed McConnell). We also use this space to tell you all about the awesome stuff that we've got in this issue, like the poll on the Westboro Baptist Church in the Forum section, the article about poetry in A&E, the article about the Bruins playoffs in Sports, information about the methods used to clean up the oil spill in Science and Tech, and...um.... this stupendous editors' note in News. But this time, we thought we'd try something a little different. Af-

ter typing up so many senior surveys, we thought it would be interesting to answer some of those questions ourselves—as they applied to Production Week.

**BEST MEMORY:** Faith Zeng!  
**WORST MEMORY:** Getting caught by the custodians having a spinny chair race down the hallway  
**THINGS WE WISH WE HADN'T DONE:** SLEPT  
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**THINGS WE'RE GLAD WE DID:** Moved to the basement computer lab during the most humid days  
**THINGS WE'RE GLAD WE DIDN'T DO:** Wake up at 7 to work on the Argo as a senior (sorry, Faith!) (not sorry, Will...)

**MOST UNFAIR THING THAT HAS HAPPENED TO ME:** Having to leave school on Final Tuesday at 9 pm. WHAT IS THIS, MR. FLYNN??  
**I'D LIKE TO THANK \_\_\_\_\_ FOR \_\_\_\_\_:** Will Poff-Webster...being there (this is sarcasm by the way)  
**YEAH, IT WAS ME: I CONFESSTO...:** Sending layout associates to steal food from the senior potluck to nourish our emaciated, overworked bodies.  
**MOST USEFUL THING LEARNED:** Do not participate in a musical while simultaneously trying to run a newspaper. One cannot edit last-minute articles when one is dancing on tables.  
**I HAD A SECRET CRUSH ON...:** THE ENTIRE LAYOUT TEAM

## Bonne Anniversaire!

BY ELIZABETH JIANG, III  
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Founded in 1635, Boston Latin School is known to be the first and oldest public school in America. With 375 years of rich history, it has the honor and privilege to boast about its exceptional reputation. Alongside BLS in sharing its own 375 years of history and tradition is l'Académie Française, or French Academy, located in France.

Established in 1635 by Cardinal Richelieu and consisting of forty members formally known as immortels (immortals), l'Académie Française is a pre-eminent group that addresses matters pertaining to the French language. The members, known as the Académiciens, have the honor of regulating and updating the ever-evolving French language. They decide whether or not some loanwords should be accepted into the language, and which long-forgotten words should be weeded out, ensuring that the Francophone world has an updated and reliable French language.

Just as BLS focuses on the importance of education and the incorporation of the Latin language into daily life, l'Académie Française does the same for the French language. Louis Pasteur, the man who BLS's street is named after, was also a former Académicien, another way in which BLS and the French Academy

connect to one another.

In celebration of the prestige and history that each school carries, the BLS French Club decided to produce a play for their Open House: Sumus Primi. The play tells the story of a BLS graduate, who was once a thoughtless and irresponsible student. Before becoming an Académicien of l'Académie Française, he delivers an acceptance speech revealing how the right attitude, hard work, and determination were

tion has its place in society," and to show how "French and Latin are the main scholarly languages that are still used in society." It also allowed the audience to note the similarities between BLS and l'Académie Française—famous alumni, the struggle to stay active, honored value of education, and fight to keep the languages alive.

Although the French club consists of mainly ninth and eighth graders – many of whom have only begun to learn French, the students were able to perform the play entirely in French. Luana Maghelles (IV), an active participant of the French Club plays, said that "[Being in these plays] paid off in the end...I learned more, I practice my French speaking skills, and it makes me want to learn more." Another recurring actress, Natalie Nowel (IV), added, "We did really well in memorization, presentation, and performance," another reason why the members of the club were proud of their production.

Despite the play's success, the French Club members hope that next year, there will be more student-parent-faculty involvement and donations, which will allow the students to produce another, bigger, and better play. But that does not mean that this year's play was something to scoff about, and as Nowel puts it: "If you missed out, it's your fault. It was a great play."



MEMBERS OF THE FRENCH CLUB AT OPEN HOUSE



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# NEWS

## No Love For WBC

By **B. Kim, III**  
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Based in Topeka, Kansas, the Westboro Baptist Church is a homophobic, anti-Semitic hate group, founded by Fred Phelps, a civil rights attorney turned "pastor." Phelps's children and grandchildren constitute the majority of the WBC. The organization held its first public service in 1955. The group is infamous for picketing at prominent institutions across the nation.

Although the Westboro Baptist Church considers itself an "Old School Baptist Church following Calvinist principles," it has no official affiliation with any Baptist organizations.

According to Shirley Phelps-Roper, an active member of the Westboro Baptist Church, the group's mission is to spread "God's hate." With their infamous slogan, "God Hates Fags," the WBC condemns America for straying from God's "principles" and its acceptance of homosexuality. The organization asserts that homosexuality is the cause of every tragedy

in the world.

The Westboro Baptist Church also expresses their hatred for other religious groups such as the Roman Catholic Church and Islam, describing these other faiths as "Satanic frauds preaching Armenian lies." The WBC strongly believes that any religious group that does not condemn homosexuality is sending its members to Hell.

Notorious for its provocative posters and extremely offensive messages, the group has thrived on receiving violent responses. At one of their protests in Seaford, Delaware in 2006, five people faced criminal charges after attempting to assault WBC members who were standing behind police lines.

To help fund their costly travel expenses (approximately 200,000 dollars a year), the WBC collects fees given to them by the Civil Rights Attorney's Fees Award Act of 1976, which guarantees them compensation for unlawful disruption of their protests.



received news that the WBC would be protesting outside of its building on Monday, June 7, the administration scheduled a meeting to discuss the issue and arrive at an appropriate response. Ultimately, the general consensus among those present was to hold a silent demonstration on the morning of the event.

Students and faculty agreed to dress in white t-shirts and jeans on the day of the WBC protest. On the Friday prior to the scheduled protest, students gathered in the dining hall to decorate the white shirts with positive messages. Brochures were also handed out during the homeroom period, to give students background information.

Over eight hundred students attended the silent protest in spite of the fact that the group never attended their scheduled picket.

BLS STUDENTS GATHER ON THE SCHOOL'S FRONT STEPS

When the Boston Latin School

scheduled picket.

## An Inside Look: BLSA

By **Kenneth Cruz, V**  
Staff Writer

Many Boston Latin School students who have taken the time to visit the school's newly updated website might have noticed that it is shared with the Boston Latin School Association. What many of them may not know, however, is that the BLSA is an organization run by alumni who have financially supported our school throughout the years. The library, computer lab, Seevak room, transportation for athletes and fine arts programs are among a few of the school's privileges that are funded by the BLSA.

Founded in 1844, the BLSA's mission is "to preserve and support the mission and excellence of the Boston Latin School," "to build and maintain the relationships among its alumni and friends," "to raise funds for both school and As-

sociation activities" and "to serve as an effective model of a successful public school-private association partnership." It aims to provide the school with the best equipment possible for the pursuit

of the Fine Arts and Athletic Departments don't receive funds, which is something that needs our help," explained Peter G. Kelly, President of the BLSA and a member of the class of 1983.

The Association includes a friendly seven-person staff located in a cozy office in the Prudential building. On the walls, there are pictures of graduating classes from long before any of us were born, such as the class of 1912. There is also a well-kept supply of yearbooks dating back to at least 100 years ago! This is what makes the "experience as rich as it can be," explained Kelly.

When asked what inspired him to work for BLSA, Mr. Kelly responded, "I graduated from BLS, my wife did, my father, even my friends graduated from this school too!"

According to Mr. Kelly, what has changed the most throughout the



MEMBERS OF THE BLSA WITH HEADMASTER MOONEY-TETA

of learning, and it pays for the Register, Argo and about seventy-five percent of the school's computers. "Since BLS is being challenged by public funding,

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was 'Jesus' was the catalyst for a five-vehicle accident in the placid Connecticut town of Darien. Police Sgt. Jeremiah Maron said officers responded to reports that a nude male was causing a 'disturbance' on Interstate 95. A tractor-trailer driver slammed on the brakes to avoid another driver who was understandably distracted by the commotion. The car hurtled towards four cars before flipping over. The holy naked man's name was not released. (AP)

>> An obese Australian Kookaburra bird is being sent to 'fat camp' after growing fat because she ate one too many sausages. The kookaburra has been at a rehabilitation aviary on a special diet designed by the bird keeper, according to Gemma Watkinson, Sydney's Taronga Zoo wildlife hospital nurse. The bird weighed in at 1.2 pounds, nearly 40 percent heavier than a normal adult bird, and was rendered unable to fly. The portly fowl will follow a rigorous exercise regime until she is ready to return to her natural habitat. (REUTERS)

>> Wang Yiming, more commonly known as Xiao Bao or "little treasure,"

is on his way to becoming the next pop sensation. The 4-year-old has been charming the world with his passion for dance and particularly endearing are his signature Michael Jackson moves which Wang breaks out when hits like "Beat It," "Billie Jean" and "Dangerous" come on. "Even before I was born I would listen to music and dance in my mum's stomach," said Xiao Bao, who in addition to owning costumes including tailor-made suits, hats and shirts, attends dance lessons with professionals, which cost the family up to 20,000 yuan (\$3,000) a month. (REUTERS)

>> The death of a bold chicken, who for months had avoided becoming road kill on an intersection in Johannesburg, is a brutish reflection of the violent and crime-ridden country of South Africa. "Murder most fowl," wrote The Star newspaper, in an article detailing the demise of the black hen. The chicken was lured across the road by a trail of breadcrumbs laid out by a traffic-light newspaper seller, who was actually being held at knife-point by hungry crooks with a craving for poultry. (REUTERS)

## Global News Tidbits

>> A man, rightfully dubbed the "grim eater", has finally been stopped after a New Zealand funeral home director discovered he had been attending several funerals a week to grub on the finger food, going as far as filing up tupperware containers to take home, without knowing the deceased. Harbour City Funeral Home director Danny Langstraat comments that such cases "happen in the industry occasionally," but they are difficult to stop since funeral services are public events. (REUTERS)

>> An American woman who was locked inside an airplane for about four hours after falling asleep on an United Express flight is suing United Express for false imprisonment, infliction of emotional distress and negligence. She would have been let out earlier, but federal officers had to make sure she was not a terrorist. (REUTERS)

>> A Persian kitten miraculously emerged from a washing machine, dizzy and zonked, after surviving a full cycle. The four-month-old Kimba emerged

looking like a "drowned rat" according to her amazed owner, who said she must have climbed into the dirty clothes when the door was open. She was immediately treated for hypothermia and is expected to survive. (REUTERS)

>> Chef Yukako Ichikawa of Wafu, a self-described "guilty free Japanese cuisine" restaurant in the Sydney suburb of Surry Hills, recently introduced a 30 percent discount for diners who eat all the food they have ordered. Weary of wasted food, the chef demands that all her plates, which are organic and gluten, dairy, sugar and egg free be completely eaten and asks that anyone who does not finish what they order "choose another restaurant next time." Although the policy has been welcomed by some and criticized by others, Ichikawa is unwavering. "Please also note that vegetables and salad on the side are NOT decorations; they are part of the meal too," the chef says, who is committed to the environment and to sustainability for the future. (REUTERS)

>> A naked man declaring that he



NEWS

New Arizona Immigration Law

BY CARLOS ROJAS, III  
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One of the toughest immigration crackdown bills in American history was signed into law on Friday, April 23 by Arizona governor Jan Brewer. Senate Bill 1070 faced no opposition in the Senate except for Republican senator Carolyn Allen. The bill was passed in an urgent attempt to secure the Mexico-Arizona border and curb the number of illegal aliens in Arizona—a number that has been growing exponentially every year according to the Pew Hispanic estimates.

Article 8 section B of the Bill states that “for any lawful contact made by a law enforcement official or agency of this state or a county, city, town or other political subdivision of this state where reasonable suspicion exists that the person is an alien who is unlawfully present in the United States, a reasonable attempt shall be made, when practicable, to determine the immigration status of the person. The person’s immigration status shall be verified with the federal government...”

The bill will allow any law enforcement officer to arrest a person without a warrant as long as they have probable cause to believe that the person has committed any public offense making them likely to be removed from the country.

The bill held a relatively high approval rating with 48% of those surveyed by the non-partisan Quinnipiac University Poll saying that they want an immigration law like the one in Arizona. Still, the Canyon state immediately came under fire, with many people and cities expressing their disapproval via protests

and boycotts.

The Tuesday after the bill was signed into law, nine Arizona college students, christened the “Capitol 9,” were arrested and taken to the Maricopa County Jail after chaining themselves to the doors of the Old Capitol Building in Phoenix. One of the protestors said, “The risk was worth it. I’d rather go through this than get stopped with a relative or a loved one in my car and have that be illegal.” Others labeled the young activists as “short-sighted” and “foolish.”



IMMIGRANTS RALLY TOGETHER TO PROTEST THE NEW LAW

Cities in Massachusetts, California and Ohio have taken even more drastic measures to voice their disapproval. The Los Angeles County voted to allocate the estimated 122 million dollars spent in Arizona elsewhere. The City of Boston has decided to pull the plug on its one million dollar investment in the Arizona-based company Nfocus.

Felix Arroyo, a member of the Boston City Council, states that Boston, “as a city, does not believe in racial profil-

ing... [The bill] is an infringement on the constitutional rights of citizens and of people that live in this country.” Others like Roger Mahoney, the cardinal of Los Angeles, say the new bill is comparable to German Nazi and Russian Communist techniques, “whereby people are required to turn one another in to the authorities on any suspicion of documentation.”

President Barack Obama criticized the bill, calling it “misguided” and stating that the law threatened “to undermine basic notions of fairness that we cher-

ish as Americans, as well as the trust between police and our communities that is so crucial to keeping us safe.” Top Justice Department officials have drafted a legal challenge asserting that the immigration law is unconstitutional because it trespasses on the federal government’s authority to control the

nation’s borders. The Justice Department is considering legal action against the law.

Organizations like the American Civil Liberties Union, the National Day Laborer Organizing Network, the National Immigration Law Center and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People forged a coalition and filed a lawsuit in hopes of stopping the bill from taking effect in July.

In response to the legal action be-

ing taken against the state, Jan Brewer said, “We’ll meet you in court. I have a pretty good record of winning in court.” Governor Brewer believes that the law represents another tool for the state to use, as it works to solve a crisis that the federal government has refused to fix.

Arizona state Senator and author of Senate Bill 1070 Russell Pearce defends the measure, citing unchecked crime, including the recent killing of a local rancher by a suspected illegal immigrant. “When do we stand up for Americans and America? Enough is enough,” says the senator. “Arizona has become ground zero. We’re number two in the world in kidnapping... We’re not taking it anymore. We’re going to enforce our laws, with compassion.”

While opponents of Senate Bill 1070 have been protesting across the country, its advocates have cried out in support. The parents of Jamiel Shaw, a football player recruited by both Stanford and Rutgers, believe that their son was killed by Pedro Espinoza, an alleged member of the 18th Street gang and illegal immigrant. The grief-stricken father of Shaw asks, “You guys are boycotting? You’re boycotting what? Why don’t you boycott murder? Why don’t you boycott illegal aliens coming to our country killing our kids?”

Thousands of Americans made their way to Arizona on June 1 for a four day “Freedom March Across America” rallying in support of the stringent immigration law. The event culminated in Phoenix on June 5.

Looming over Arizona, however, are the financial problems that could be brought about by the boycotts and the lawsuits against the state. An Arizona city official says Phoenix could potentially lose about 90 million dollars over the next five years due to boycotts and an anticipated drop in tourism. Critics warn that millions more could be lost through lawsuit fees. Congressman Raul Grijalva warns that if the state follows through with the law, the costs could be very high.

City of Boston Fails to Evaluate Teachers

BY ELIZABETH JIANG, III  
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According to a report by the Massachusetts Business Alliance for Education, half of Boston’s teachers have not received an evaluation in the last two years, the required frequency for teacher evaluations in Boston Public Schools. A quarter of Boston’s 135 schools have not completed any evaluations within these two years.

According to CommonWealth Magazine, 97% of all teachers evaluated from 2003 to 2008 were all rated satisfactory, without one single teacher noted as being unsatisfactory at more than half of Boston’s schools, even though 15 of those schools with supposedly satisfactory teachers were flagged as chronically underperforming. Also, by some estimates, about 15% of teachers in a large urban district lack the expertise, classroom skills and temperament to be effective educators. Carlos Rojas (III) finds this “alarming because teachers are an important aspect of education.”

These statistics are not reflected in the city’s dismal public school reputation.

These multiple obstacles are standing in the way of Boston achieving an honorable public school system reputation. Because of this, Superintendent Carol R. Johnson, the School Committee and the Boston Teachers Union are making all efforts to revamp the evaluation process for the city’s teachers. It is important to note

that the city can only do this because of the Education Reform Law. This law allows the Superintendent to improve failing schools by removing unsatisfactory staff members and therefore creating top-performing schools that the city of Boston deserves. A new aspect considered in revising the teacher evaluation system is the input of those who are with them everyday: the students. BPS, however, acknowledges the sense of revenge that some students may have towards certain teachers, and so, this may not be incorporated into the new evaluation process. Another aspect definitely taken into account is the academic achievement of certain students in their class. The logic behind this is that students’ performance on assessments is reflective upon the teacher’s skills.

Hopefully, with these newly revised evaluation, termination procedures and forms, the Boston Public Schools will be able to “be used to the extent it should be,” according to Mr. Flynn and reward better performing teachers with higher pay, while weeding out the unsatisfactory ones. Perhaps, we will be able to see this happen at Boston Latin School, where, despite the school’s respectable history and reputation, there are some weaker links in the teaching staff. According to Ms. Moran, however, BLS is in good hands because “Mrs. Mooney Teta has been very conscientious that all administrators complete their evaluations...so that everybody shares ideas and development towards constant learning and growth, focusing on

the shared goal to continue strengthening the classroom experience.”

If you want to see for yourself whether or not the evaluation process for teachers is too long or confusing, Google search “Boston Teacher Performance Form,” and click on the first entry.

Critics believe that this neglect of routine evaluations takes away powerful opportunities for the city to improve teacher quality and teaching strategies, which could raise students’ test scores and better the reputation of the city and its schools.

The core reason as to why so few teacher evaluations have been submitted is not merely because of a lack of will in administrators to fill out the forms, but because of several cited problems with the evaluation and termination system. First, there is not enough money or time in the BPS to support so many evaluations, which sometimes require an administrator to observe a teacher



NO TEACHER EVALUATIONS=EDNA

in a classroom setting multiple times, all at once. The feat is almost impossible, with about 5000 teachers to be evaluated and a limited number of administrators to fill out

these forms in so little time. Before long, a snowball effect takes place; the pile of uncompleted forms grow. Second, the school department found the evaluation process and procedure to be too lengthy and confusing, taking up to “four to five hours writing each one...a very time consuming process,” according to a current Department Head at BLS. This makes evaluators prone to mistakes, thus submitting unreliable information. As a result, underperforming teachers will remain unnoticed in the school system for years. Even if a principal or administrator followed each step in the termination process without error, existing rules still create a barrier and make it difficult to remove the worst performing teachers. A teacher is even able

to receive four negative evaluations in one year before receiving a termination letter... which isn’t fair to students and creates a source of frustration for both students and their parents,” according to Moran.



# SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

## Apple's Runaway iPhone

**BY KERRY HU, II**  
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As many are well aware, a recent media leak of Apple's next generation iPhone has set the media ablaze with wild rumors of its new features. It is said that the speculated iPhone "4G" will be officially announced sometime this summer, but Gizmodo, a technology weblog about consumer electronics, recently got its hands on a genuine model of an early design. How in the world did Apple lose one of its prototypes and how did the phone end up with Gizmodo?

It all started with Gray Powell, an Apple software engineer. Several months ago, he was celebrating his birthday at a bar in Redwood City, California. He carried an iPhone 4G with him, disguised in an iPhone 3GS case. Later that night, he left the bar, leaving the device lying on the table. The person sitting next to Powell ended up with the phone and after asking around, was not able to find its owner. He finally went home with the intention of returning it the next day. Powell undoubtedly realized at some point that he had lost something priceless and potentially dangerous for Apple. By the next morning, the person who picked up the phone confirmed that it was dead. This "feature" has also been confirmed to be a part of

the MobileMe software, which Apple remotely uses to wipe out the data from lost iPhones. The finder then tinkered with the gadget and discovered it to be different from a regular 3GS. He then called Apple customer service to report his discovery, but when the claim was dismissed, he decided to sell it to the highest bidder. A few weeks later, Gizmodo caught wind of this information and paid 5,000 dollars in cash for the prototype.

Then why couldn't Apple track it down? The MobileMe software also works as a GPS which can pull up an online map and trace the exact spot of a lost device in less than a minute. The iPhone 4G, however, was running a specific operating system, the OS 4, which at that point in time did not support such locat-

ing capabilities.

Anybody familiar with Apple's devices knows that a new generation of products means additional features. The iPhone 4G is no exception to this rule. What does the new phone have? It includes a camera on the front, which will presumably be used for video chats. It will also keep a camera on the back, this time with an enlarged lens. The screen also supports higher resolutions and an improved display. The SIM card, which stores contact info and account information, has now been replaced with micro-SIM, which is around 50% smaller than its predecessor. This was done to increase the size of the battery. Generally, the shape of the phone is also "boxier" than previous iPhones.

After publishing pictures and videos of the iPhone on the Gizmodo website, Briam Lam, the editorial director, received numerous calls and was even sent a letter from Apple which "constitutes



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## Iron Man: Fact or Fiction?

**BY JAKE ZHANG, IV**  
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We have all heard of "The Suit." In 2008, audiences witnessed the awesomeness of this fictional armor in Iron Man, a film based on the popular Marvel comic of the same name. This powered exoskeleton is essentially a walking tank; it has an arsenal of both conventional and futuristic weapons, is bulletproof, and is shiny. It also has a reactor the size of a grapefruit that pumps out enough juice to allow the wearer to defeat villains for long periods of time without ever needing a recharge. Now with the film's sequel, Iron Man 2, comes an even more outrageous display of technology. How can we tell what is real, and what is fantasy?

Powered exoskeletons are not a new concept in fiction. Robert A. Heinlein's 1959 novel, Starship Troopers, describes human soldiers wearing armored suits battling hordes of giant bugs. The popular video game franchise Halo revolves around superhuman Spartan soldiers who are fitted with armor that greatly enhances their strength. In the 2009 film, Avatar, humans wage war against the Na'vi with mechanized infantry units. Modern Kevlar body armor can stop multiple rifle rounds, similar to how Iron Man can walk into a hail of bullets and emerge unscathed. Across the world, exoskeletons are in development for the purpose of both aiding soldiers on the battlefield and civilians with disabilities. In Japan,

you can now rent a pair of robotic legs for 2,200 dollars, but how far are we from developing a suit of flying armor?

There are some major obstacles in the way of designing robotic suits. In Iron Man, there is a scene where a flying Tony Stark surpasses the speed of sound on his way to engage a gang of terrorists in Afghanistan. The engines of an aircraft, (like the F-22 fighter jets that attack Stark

weigh at least 2,000 pounds. Moreover, finding an energy source with enough output to power the mechanics and electronics of a robotic suit, and one that is light enough to carry on your back (or inside your chest), is currently impossible. The movie describes an "arc reactor" similar in concept to a nuclear reactor. Unfortunately, carrying enriched uranium everywhere you go will either kill you with

chemical lasers proposed to be mounted on C-130 carrier planes, can burn holes in trucks from five miles away. In one scene, Iron Man confronts a tank, blowing it up with a single rocket launched from his wrist. Surprisingly, there are ammunition rounds small enough to be launched from a hand held gun that can penetrate tank armor. Depleted uranium was commonly used in the Persian Gulf War and was very effective at neutralizing tanks with only a few rounds by igniting the ammunition inside the tanks. Wrist-mounted flamethrowers, as seen in the beginning of Iron Man when Stark torches the enemy camp, are possible as well.

In conclusion, do not expect to see a red and gold armored superhero anytime soon. We are more likely to have something similar to War Machine as portrayed in Iron Man 2—a tank with legs. Some technologies in Iron Man like miniature power reactors are just out of our grasp. Many things like lasers and tank-busting rockets, however, are a reality and will continue to improve as more companies and governments expand into the robotics industry. We will have to wait another decade or so before our technology advances to anywhere near the level of Iron Man suit. Meanwhile, to satisfy our crime-fighting urges we can all watch Iron Man 2, which was released this May. Cue the heavy metal music.



PITY THE TERRORISTS

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after his terrorist-busting mission) which can achieve supersonic speeds, generally have a high thrust-to-weight ratio (a rating used to measure the output of engines in comparison to the weight of the propelled object), of about nine to one. This means that in order for Iron Man to reach supersonic speeds using jet engines similar to the F-22, each of his boots would have to

radiation poisoning or turn you into The Incredible Hulk.

Perhaps the only realistic thing about the Iron Man suit is the weaponry. Lasers, like the "uni-beam," fired from the armor's chest, actually exist. Some hand held laser pointers are powerful enough to burn holes through paper and even thin plastic. Larger lasers, like the

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# SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

## Facebook's Leaky Security

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Facebook. We all know it, we all love it, and chances are, it keeps us awake at 2 A.M. on a school night. Recently, however, concerns have sprouted over Facebook's leaky security and privacy policy. In the age of identity thefts and internet scams, careless handling of your data—your name, address, email, birth date, phone number, or any other piece of seemingly harmless information—can be disastrous.

What exactly is a privacy policy? Literally, it is that 80-page long agreement you click “Yes” to whenever you install a program on your computer or join a password-protected website. You don't read it. I don't read it. Nobody reads it. Nonetheless, it is extremely important when it comes to the secrecy of your precious information. Privacy policies usually contain, in dense, unintelligible prose, user-end agreements (agreements you agree to) that stipulate the various levels of security and contracts that keep your private information pri-

vate. Usually, these policies specify that the program or website will never, ever give your information away to a third party. This is not the case, however, with Facebook.

Facebook has not always been a burning public relations disaster on wheels, blasting sensitive information with a loudspeaker. Initially, Facebook

picture and gender available to the public by default. In April 2010, it began to send user information to companies like Yelp, Microsoft and Pandora without user consent. Recently, loopholes within the website itself have allowed advertise rs (for example, the parent companies of the “make your baby!” ads) to access your personal information just by clicking on their links. These companies, through this exploit, could have seen your name, address, email, birthday, friends, likes, groups and even what your future child will look like. There was also a bug in Facebook's chat application that allowed your friends to view your private conversations. Rest assured—both of these problems have been fixed, but they certainly attest to Facebook's rather lax view on security.

Some security issues have been around for a long time. Ever since Facebook introduced Applications, the default setting has allowed the creators of these applications to view your “private” profile without any restrictions. Your profile,

by default, is set to “Public,” meaning that the creepy man across the street can view your pictures and see your information. According to a poll of 2,000 people conducted by Consumer Reports, 52% of people who use Facebook post information, such as a birthday or an address, on their profiles that could put them at risk of cyber crime. Along with the access granted to applications, advertisers and the public nature of many profiles, the release of such information could be disastrous.

Fortunately, there are ways to protect yourself. The most obvious solution to these problems is to deactivate your Facebook account (Facebook's president, Mark Zuckerberg, does not believe in account deletion. Suspiciously, all of your account data is kept “safe and secure” on their servers forever and ever.). For those of us unwilling to part with our precious Facebook accounts, it is possible to navigate to the privacy settings page and reinforce the security options available. Since changes made on May 26, 2010, the page has become much easier to navigate than its labyrinthine predecessor. Facebook has certainly made it difficult to hide information, but think about it—to me, it is worth the time, if it means that some man in Utah can't see that I loved A Walk To Remember, and my mom can't see what I did at Nick's party last Saturday.



## Killing the Spill

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The oil spill from British Petroleum's (BP) Deepwater Horizon oil rig in the Gulf of Mexico is one of the worst in the history of the United States. While workers were drilling a new well on April 20, an explosion occurred, killing 11 people and injuring 17 of the 126 workers aboard the rig. Soon after the explosion, an additional three oil leaks were discovered. The oil has been leaking from these three major places, at a rate of more than 19,000 barrels (798,000 gallons) a day.

There have been many attempts at stopping the oil from leaking. The smallest of the three leaks has already been capped and sealed off. The other two leaks are located on the drilling tube and the blowout preventer, which is a pressure release valve for oil on the drilling head. As an initial strategy, a four-story, 150-ton containment dome was lowered onto the leak on the blowout preventer. The effort failed, however, when it filled with ice created by a mix of gas and water. A smaller containment dome called a “top hat” was proposed, but the plan was suspended to make room for other measures. The current plan by BP calls for inserting a tube with a stopper into a drill tube. The oil would then be funneled into a surface ship. There are more measures planned as well. These include filling the well with pieces of junk (which would clog the pipe) or cutting off the old pipe and installing a new one connected to the surface. On April 25, preparations began for a “top kill,” where heavy mud would be pumped into the blowout preventer, and the pipe would be sealed with cement. On May 29, this attempt failed because the mud could not stop the leak. Engineers are now trying once again to find new methods to resolve this problem. BP is drilling relief wells into the original to block the leaks. Although many of the proposed solutions have worked in other cases, they have never been tested at a mile underwater, which is the depth at which this oil leak is occurring.

Another concern is the impact of the oil on the environment of the Gulf Coast states: Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama and Florida. There is a lot of oil washing up onto the coasts and the fragile marshlands of these states. The CEO of BP, Tony Hayward, had previously stated that the environmental impact of the oil spill would be “modest.” On Friday, however, his outlook on the spill became an “environmental catastrophe.” The disaster is already twice as bad as the Exxon Valdez spill in 1989. Since it is the nesting season for many species of birds who live in this region, it is currently a very inopportune time for an oil spill. Sea turtles, dolphins and sharks are also in danger if they come in contact with the oil. These spills are essentially like asphalt: they do not evaporate easily, they are hard to rinse off and cannot be broken down by bacteria. The Coast Guard has set off several controlled burns in an attempt to reduce the oil, and BP is spraying dispersants in order to scatter the oil. Although it is unknown whether these dispersants are toxic, BP has still been using thousands of gallons. BP is being criticized and urged to switch their dispersants, since they can potentially kill plankton and other organisms at the bottom levels of the food chain, causing a disruption at higher levels.

Marshes are among the ecosystems that have been hardest hit. They are extremely fragile, and since they are also stagnant, the oil is kept there indefinitely. It has already killed off numerous fish and other wildlife in the region. One way to prevent more oil from washing onto the marshes is to build sandbars around the vulnerable regions. People in the affected areas are encouraging BP and the Army Corps of Engineers to begin building these sandbars. It does not matter at what point in time this oil leak might be plugged. The spill has become the worst in American history, and much damage has already been done. For now, we can only hope for the best.

## Cracking the Crash

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On May 10, the United States Transportation Department launched another investigation concerning Toyota's failure to report problems about some of their products. These faults seem to be connected to several accidents which include seven injuries and three fatalities in the past month. Since then, Toyota has paid more than six million dollars in fines and recalled nearly nine million models worldwide. One of the first problems reported occurred in 2004, in which steering defects were observed in a few of Toyota's trucks. The list of faulty cars has since grown to include not only the popular Prius, but also some models of the Camry and Corolla family sedans. Even more recalls, however, are expected with increasing complaints swamping the car company well-known for its commitment to excellence and quality. Today, in the aftermath of General Motors' fiasco last year, how can we trust the car industry?

The Electronic Throttle Control System (ETCS) integrated into several of Toyota's recalled products was developed to improve fuel economy and safety. This system, which electronically controls the acceleration of the vehicles, was the first component to be blamed for the many accelerator-related accidents. Toyota denies the ETCS being the culprit, and has since recalled cars to fix the structural defects of the accelerator. Toyota, however, claims that the shape of the gas pedal, as well as ill-fitting floor mats, both seem to be the reason for the unexplained sudden acceleration of the cars. One of the models that seem to have the most problems is the 2002 Toyota RAV4, a popular family-sized compact SUV. In total, there have been more

than 500 complaints filed against Toyota concerning the RAV4 alone. The Toyota Camry was close behind, ranking at more than 400 complaints.

How can we take the auto industry for granted? The American auto industry has been on the decline after the collapse of GM, resulting in thousands of layoffs and the discontinuation of entire brands. Foreign cars, famous for their reliability, have since dominated the market. Now that Toyota is following down the path of GM, what will become of the auto industry as a whole?



MOVING FORWARD BUT DON'T FORGET TO BRAKE

try as a whole? Selling pieces of machinery that lose thousands of dollars in value once driven out of the dealership certainly does not help (not to mention, car dealers have garnered a nasty reputation for themselves). Cars, unlike houses and cattle, are a poor form of investment and become essentially worthless after a few decades. Now that we have just emerged from the greatest economical catastrophe since the Great Depression, who would want to invest their savings on cars?

The collapse of GM and the faults of Toyota have damaged the reputation of our auto industry, but we cannot simply blame the corporations for their mistakes. Disregarding the latest fiasco, Toyota has managed to keep a favorable outlook as a maker of quality and safety. People are not likely to give up on the industry quite yet. As long as they are the most convenient form of transportation, cars will continue to be the backbone of our economy and our lives.



# FORUM

## WBC Doesn't Deserve Our Attention

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The Westboro Baptist Church is a “religious group” that has been preaching hate ever since 1955. However, the Westboro Baptist Church only rocketed into the spotlight in 1998, when they picketed the funeral of Matthew Shepard, a college student who was beaten and left for dead because he was gay. The WBC pastor, Fred Phelps, and several of his congregants came to the funeral and held up signs which read “Matt in Hell,” “God Hates Fags,” and “AIDS Kills Fags Dead.” This was not the first time the WBC had picketed a funeral, but Shepard’s murder had attracted national attention and that attention spilled over onto WBC, due to the cruelty of their actions and the unbelievable insensitivity of their signs. Since then, the Westboro Baptist Church has continued and intensified their picketing campaign.

It is not entirely clear why the Westboro Baptist Church has decided to picket Boston Latin School. On the church’s website say that they will be picketing BLS “... to remind this nation

that God is cursing Doomed America because parents raise their children for the devil and teachers teach them the twin lies that ‘God loves everyone’ and ‘it’s OK to be gay!’” There is no reason given as to why BLS was specifically picked for that purpose, although geography almost certainly had something to do with it, as the WBC has three other protests in Massachusetts - two in Boston and one in Lexington - which was scheduled on June 6th. In fact, geography may be the only reason BLS was chosen. It is an especially good location, because we are surrounded by many colleges and hospitals with plenty of commuters nearby to witness the Kansan abhorrence. The Westboro Baptist has changed from a church with a specific ministry (if you can call cruelty and invectives a ministry) against homosexuality into a church that simply believes the whole world is damned. That makes anywhere and everywhere a target for picketing, with no justification.

The protests range from cruel to absurd. Visiting dignitaries, and politicians of every stance, even conservative, have been the recipients of WBC harass-

ment. Phelps’ flock pickets Holocaust memorials, claiming that “the Jews were asking for it.” There is no funeral that the WBC wouldn’t picket, telling mourners in graphic detail how their loved ones are in hell. There is also a specific appliance store that the congregants picket on a weekly basis, because the store sells Swedish vacuum cleaners. They adamantly oppose the Swedish vacuums because the WBC views these vacuums as a symbol for gay tolerance, due to a Swedish priest being prosecuted for hatefully speaking against gay people. Perhaps most comically, the WBC sent a group to protest at Twitter headquarters,

for not using Twitter to inculcate the masses. Those people diligently held up offensive signs and hurled invectives while tweeting about the protest.

As broad and disconnected as the range is, it actually reveals the true purpose of the Westboro Baptist Church: attention. The church may have started out as a ministry, but once Phelps got a taste of the spotlight he used his position and “church” to chase fame any chance he could get. And attention is exactly the kind of response the BLS community gave them by openly showing our disgust towards them through a peaceful, silent protest. We give them exactly what they want: spotlight. Since we gave them such a huge response even when they didn’t show up, it only means they received more media coverage. We are treating their message as something serious, when in reality we need to realize their ridiculousness. We are all well educated here at BLS, so most of us know that, though what these people say is cruel, offensive, and upsetting, it is simply not true. They are looking for attention they don’t deserve and shouldn’t receive.



PEOPLE LIKE THIS JUST WANT ATTENTION

## Protesting for Love

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On May 27th, Boston Latin School got word that the Westboro Baptist Church (WBC), a hate group from Topeka, Kansas, would be visiting us on June 7th from 7:15 to 7:45 am. Outside of an emergency meeting called for the teachers after school, there was no sign of a change until later that night. I kept seeing statuses about the visit popping up everywhere on Facebook. At that point, I knew next to nothing about the WBC. I just pictured them as a radical (and ignorant) homophobic group from the Midwest. As the day of the protest approached, these ignorant people grew faces. They became real: so tangible, in fact, that every Boston Latin School student could personally

view of homosexuality, no intelligent and respectful person should ever behave the way the Westboro protestors do. Boston Latin School prides itself on its tolerance and respect- just ask Ms. Maneikis, spearheader of the R.E.S.P.E.C.T. Initiative. The WBC feeds off of press coverage and media attention. Wherever they go, cameras follow. Boston Latin School has had its fair share of news time-- vampires ‘09, anyone? I believe that it is our duty to present our school as a modern-thinking, fair, and tolerant environment. Protesting people who have preached messages like “God sent the shooter” at Virginia Tech, or that Italians are “mobster-breeding-perverts” and “God REALLY hates Italy” at the Italian Consulate in Pittsburgh, is the most responsible thing to do. Even if one little student-run counter-protest doesn’t

make the Westboro Baptist Church change their views on homosexuality and stop protesting at soldiers’ funerals or Holocaust memorials, at least we would know that we weren’t just being bystanders.

And a counter-protest was truly the very least we could have done. The truth is that telling a group of passionate teenagers to just “ignore them, they’ll go away soon enough” will never tame the crowd.



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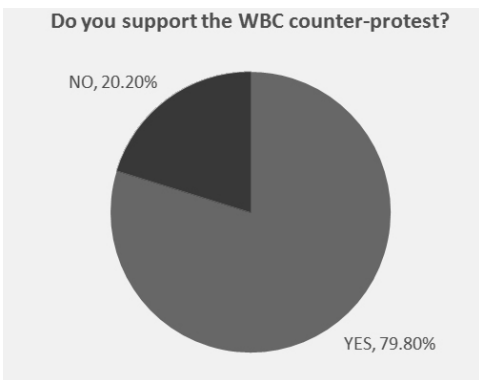
feel their hatred. The next day at school people were outraged and even frightened by the WBC’s upcoming picketing. The question everyone was asking was simple: “What are we going to do?”

Perhaps the more appropriate question is “What can we do?” People wanted to meet the WBC’s message of hate and intolerance with shows of love and acceptance. The idea of a counter-protest came about quickly. The idea stirred up a significant amount of controversy, as not everybody thought that this would be the best way to handle the “church.” I, personally, didn’t support the idea of organizing a counter protest, but I could clearly see the necessity of it.

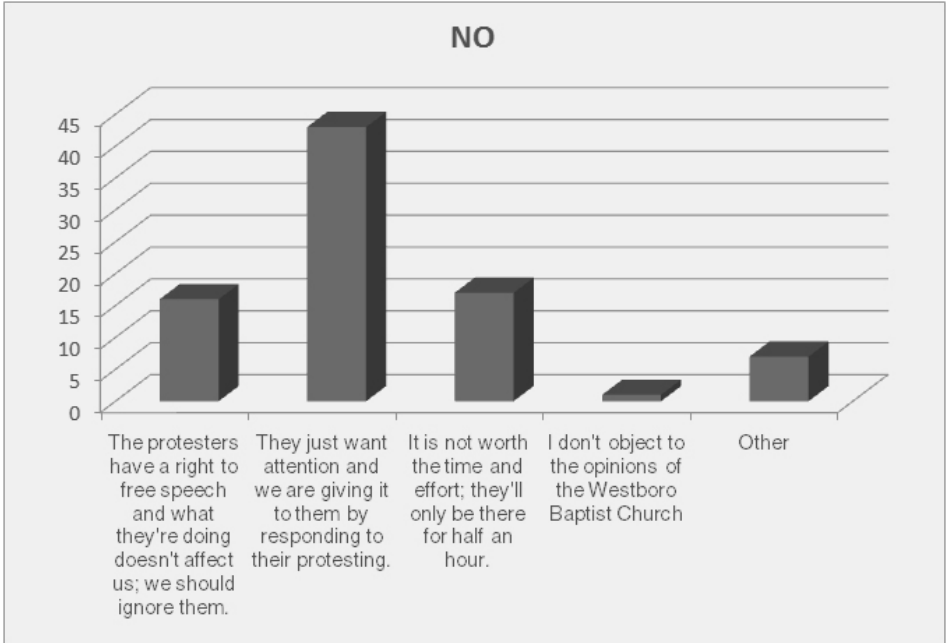
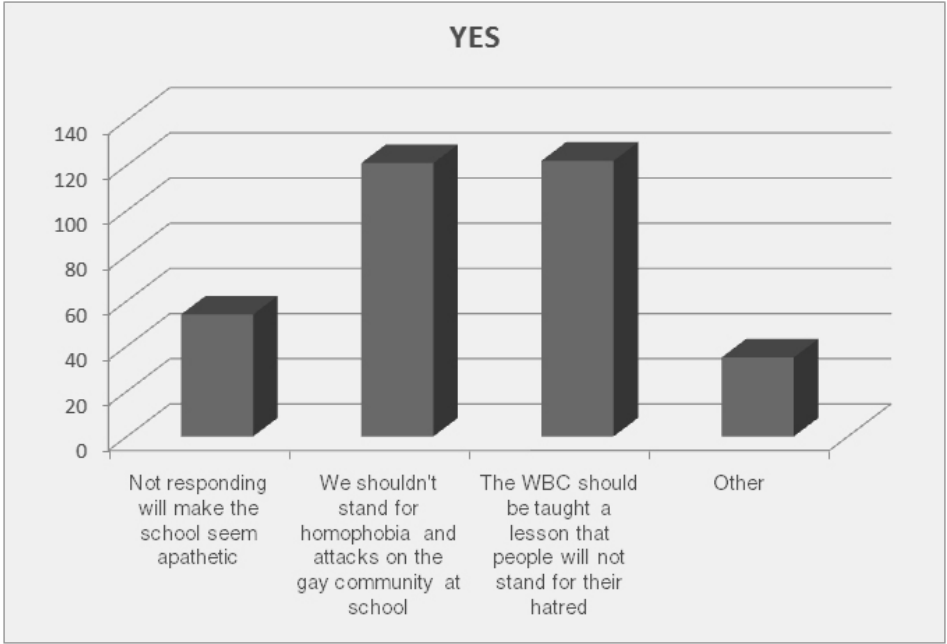
Students were angry and they wanted to fight back. Regardless of a person’s

Time and time again, in environments of raw anger and hatred, people lose their tempers and lash out. Boston Latin didn’t want to take this risk because one wrong move by any person towards the picketers could cause the WBC to sue the city. The students at BLS wanted and needed a controlled opportunity to show their disagreement with the WBC, and the protest that was put together served the purpose well. Unfortunately, the Westboro Baptist Church isn’t doing anything illegal. It is well within their constitutional rights for them to state their opinions no matter how many people disagree with them. And as Americans, the students of Boston Latin School have the same right. We had every reason to protest the hatred of the Westboro Baptist Church.

## Poll Results



On Friday, June 4th, a poll was conducted of 225 students from classes II-VI on their opinion of BLS's planned response to the Westboro Baptist Church protesters. The questions included whether or not they supported the students' response to the WBC protest, and then they were asked to choose from a variety of reasons for that opinion, whether positive or negative.





FORUM

# A Troubling Country

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This March, a torpedo fired from a North Korean submarine caused an underwater explosion that sank the South Korean warship, Cheonan, killing 46 of the 104 sailors serving on board. The incident has been the most deadly altercation between North and South Korea since the Korean War. This prompted South Korea to consider imposing trade sanctions on the communist country and cutting off the flow of thousands of North Korean workers to South Korean factories. All of this came only a few months after North Korea reportedly conducted an underwater nuclear bomb test as well as testing firing missiles into the Sea of Japan. This has raised concerns that the numerous South Korean and American troops stationed along the Korean Demilitarized Zone, a heavily fortified area that divides the Korean countries from one another, could be North Korea's next targets.

North Korea has certainly captured the global spotlight since the collapse of the Soviet Union and the end of the Cold War. It is one of the few remaining communist countries and is controlled by a single man, Kim Jong-Il. North Korea not only has a public dress code, but Kim Jong-Il's birthday is also celebrated as a national holiday. This is clearly an example of utter madness, as the people of North Korea have no reason to celebrate the rule of this tyrant. Under his regime many famines have plagued rural communities, resulting in the death of twelve percent of the North Korean population between 1995 and 1998 alone. In 2009, two American journalists were wrongfully convicted of illegally setting foot in North Korea. They were detained at a labor camp for five months until they were released with the aid of President Bill Clinton.

Furthermore, North Korea has violated various laws and treaties concerning their relationship with South Korea. These violations include firing shots across the demilitarized border, invading South Korea and digging tunnels beneath the demilitarized zone, which are wide enough for entire infantry divisions to

march through. All of these things have led some politicians (such as Hillary Clinton) to believe that North Korea is just looking for attention.

Many people would agree that North Korea only represents a small threat to the United States of America but has been trying to seem large and menacing through brief displays of force. But as long as North Korea is led by a wild and unpredictable ruler, it is and will continue to be a military threat to Asia and the US. Although any damage North Korea could cause is limited to its surrounding neighbors, relations between the US and China could dissolve if the latter should ever side with North Korea during a conflict. China has wisely chosen to remain essentially neutral in the controversy over the sinking of the Cheonan in order to keep North Korea as a valuable trading partner. The fact that the United States sided with democratic South Korea against communist North Korea and its Chinese allies complicates things quite a bit. Sound familiar? A similar standoff was seen during the Vietnam War, in which communist North Vietnam, supported by China, waged war against democratic South Vietnam, supported by the United States. The US and China, two of the world's greatest superpowers, are each armed with nuclear weapons. This threatens to escalate what might be a small territorial war between the Koreas into a second Cold War.

I have little doubt that North Korea will continue to be a nuisance, but border skirmishes are quite a different thing from full-fledged war. If they did prepare an invasion to occupy their democratic counterparts, however, the United States would be increasingly pressured to aid their South Korean allies. The only thing standing between what would be a Persian Gulf-like battle and another Vietnam campaign is if China holds communism above their diplomatic relations with the United States. I hope that no nation would prioritize politics over world peace, and I consider a confrontation with China highly unlikely. As radical as it is, though, North Korea is still a threat to finally bringing peace to the Korean Peninsula, and it should not be underestimated.



KIM JUNG II REPPING KOREA WITH HIS WARHEADS

# An Ocean of Oil

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For the past forty odd days, the United States has been a damsel in distress due to the largest environmental fiasco in our history. The disaster originated in the Gulf of Mexico when an oil rig exploded and began to gush tens of thousands of gallons of oil into the sea and onto its many sea creatures. The oil rig was owned by a British oil company, BP, formerly known as British Petroleum. Such an abysmal mess demands a clear culprit, but the situation is not so cut and dry. There are a large number of individuals and organizations upon whom the guilt can be pinned.

The most obvious culprit is the already morally ambiguous oil company, BP. Before the explosion, BP officials received numerous reports concerning difficulties with the oil well on the Deepwater Horizon Rig. The reports specifically mentioned problems with the casing of the well and the blowout preventer, the components of the rig that malfunctioned and were deemed the catalysts of the explosion. Therefore, the malfunction occurred because BP officials failed to heed the warnings made clear in these reports. After the catastrophic accident had taken place, their efforts to stop the constant flow of oil have been far from heroic. Their most recent operations have included methods called "top kill" and "junk shot," which, in a combined effort, flooded the area before the break in the pipe with mud and shot bits of rope, tires and golf balls. The mastermind behind naming these operations ("junk shot?") must have also been the one who came up

with the ideas themselves, as they have proved ineffective thus far. Due to the ineffectiveness of these methods, you may be wondering what BP's backup plan is. It is quite simple: they will drill a hole in the pipe in attempts to funnel the oil onto a vessel and carry it to shore. The single setback to this plan, however, is a drastic one. Drilling this simple hole could lead to the flow of oil—or rather, the flow of destruction—increasing by as much as 20%.

The greedy ambitions of oil tycoons, however, are obvious to even the most

oblivious of onlookers, and these individuals will no doubt continue operating scrupulously if they go unchecked. This is not the first major oil spill, and it will, without a doubt, not be the last if the government does not intervene. Despite being fully able to regulate the activities that take place on oil rigs, the government never seems to take advantage of this right. This lack of double-checking by the government shows a lack of responsibility. Now that the problem has lingered for almost six weeks and the flow of oil is showing no signs of stopping, the government should be even further called into question for its incompetence in handling the issue. President Obama only just got around to promising to triple the number of people working to find a lasting solution to this deadly problem. Where was he on day one? Ultimately, the government's negligence and BP's inefficiencies seem to have worked hand in hand in allowing this catastrophe to take place.

Perhaps we are the real culprits. As Americans, we have gained a great deal of notoriety for our dangerous dependence on oil. We require it to heat our homes, fuel our cars and travel vast distances on planes and boats. Oil plays an all too important role in our lives, and both the government and oil companies like BP



AMERICANS UNHAPPY WITH BP

have taken this fact for granted. They have grown lazy and complacent in their duties concerning the protection of this precious natural resource.

Now, more than ever, as we can watch YouTube videos of our precious resource draining into the ocean and murdering its inhabitants, our eyes need to open to the fact that we need to find some alternative source of energy that we can safely rely on. What more evidence do we need than the vivid image of the once blue ocean distorting into a black and red monstrosity?

# Senior Appreciation

BY KATIE WANG, IV  
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We're all jealous of them. We hear them chanting "it's all over" in the hallways while we take our tests and daydream in class. It's kind of unfair, wouldn't you agree?

Trying to cope with the stifling heat on the third floor, I can't help but think about how lucky the 2010 Seniors are to be graduating. But then I think about all the years of hard work and toil that they have spent here at BLS, the times when they battled tough courses and relinquished their free time to finish the ridiculous assignment their teacher just assigned. It's not an easy time here at this school, and I admire that all of them have managed to come out of the process unscathed, emerging victorious from the end of the tunnel.

Throughout my first year here at BLS

(as a B-sie), I have already seen countless instances where members of the Class of 2010 have shown their sincerity and selflessness, all the while being considerate of their underclassmen. They have served as inspirational role models for your fellow classmates, whether you realized it or not.

I can still remember my first day here in this school. I was desperately trying to find the girls' restroom and passed through the same hallway three times. I spied a girl at a desk in the middle of the hallway, and I asked where the bathroom was. I wasn't sure whether the look on this girl's face was of incredulity or whether she was about to burst out laughing, for her desk was right outside the girls' restroom. As I realized the situation, I apologized immediately, explaining that I was a B-sie and that I was just getting used to the environment and surroundings.

After the incident, the girl, who turned out to be a senior, grinned at me and wished me good luck in my future stay at BLS after inquiring about my feelings towards the school. This trivial (yet embarrassing) incident made me smile inside, knowing that the upperclassmen still care for underclassmen. Though instances like this occur daily in this school, I then thought about what would have happened if this girl hadn't cared to show me where the restroom was. Sure, I might have found it a couple of minutes later, but the fact that she took the time out of her day to kindly help and talk to me demonstrates a genuine kindness. All of the seniors who sacrificed their time to help others were not obligated to. It would have been much easier if they hadn't. But the fact that they did shows how special the Class of 2010 is.

It takes students like this girl in the

graduating class to provide the inspiration and benchmark for the whole school to look up to and follow. From these common yet thoughtful instances, each senior has made his or her own contribution to their fellow classmates' days. These contributions are what make the teachers at BLS proud to teach their students and the younger students happier to come to school everyday. The seniors make us strive to become better leaders and tell us to reach new goals which we would have never accomplished otherwise without their help and care. We have grown to appreciate everything that they have given to us and the school.

By the time each one of us becomes a senior, we will try to emulate what they have done for us. We have been touched by their kindness and appreciate all of their contributions to BLS. Thank you, seniors, for the memories and have fun in college!



FORUM

Are You For Arizona's Immigration Bill?



PRO

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National security is one of the most important issues facing our nation today, and border control is essential to our nation’s safety. When I read about Arizona’s controversial immigration bill, I was overjoyed with Arizona’s decision to strengthen border control by denying illegal immigrants the right to remain in the state. Known as SB 1070, the new immigration bill requires everyone to carry their legal documentation with them and allows police and law enforcement agencies to interrogate people suspected of being in the country illegally. I applaud the efforts of Arizona’s governor, Jan Brewer, in ensuring that the bill is signed into effect. Although this bill shows that Governor Brewer is striving for a change in national security, the federal government has been criticizing the bill and her.

I am frustrated with the federal government for not adequately doing its job. After all, it is the federal government’s responsibility to provide border security—something they have failed to do, as is evident by the many illegal immigrants who cross the border daily. Brewer passed this immigration bill out of Arizona’s need to protect its citizens. This bill would not only flush out those, who are living in the state illegally, but also discourage illegal immigration by punishing illegal aliens with harsh sentences. Rather than being praised for taking a bold step to protect its citizens, Arizona is currently being condemned by not only the Mexican government, but also by the federal government and various city councils across the country. Honestly, would they rather that Arizona completely ignores the issue? This bill is just an example of Arizona taking the initiative to fix a significant problem. Additionally, President Calderon of Mexico has no right to criticize Arizona for refusing illegal immigrants. Instead, he should be attempting to figure out why people are fleeing his country and work on fixing that problem.

The argument from the left is that this law is unconstitutional because it requires people to show their documentation if they are suspected of being here illegally. According to them, this is something that promotes “racial profiling” and will turn Arizona into a “police state.” First of all, the only way that a person’s citizenship can be questioned is if he or she has committed a criminal offense, such as robbery or running a red light. Why can’t Arizona prohibit illegal immigrants from coming here if they are causing trouble? They are taking jobs away from Americans who badly need them, especially now that the American unemployment rate is roughly twice as high as the Mexican unemployment rate (10% to 5%). As for racial profiling, it is explicitly banned in the bill itself. Police cannot stop people on the street for just being Hispanic; there must be a legal reason for the police to do so. Therefore, the argument of the new bill being discriminatory is simply unfounded.

It is also shameful that city councils across the country (including that of Boston) are planning boycotts of Arizona on account of this law. Who are we to say what Arizona is doing is wrong without understanding its very dire situation? Not only is illegal immigration a major issue in Arizona, there is also a deadly drug war spilling over the border and now claiming the lives of Arizona residents caught in the crossfire. How about instead of immediately boycotting Arizona, we actually read the bill, try to learn about why the state passed the law and then decide on the best course of action?

If President Obama doesn’t like this law, then he should tell Congress to send more troops to the border and come up with ways to discourage illegal immigrants from coming over here, such as cutting them off from publicly-funded institutions like schools, penalizing corporations for hiring them and increasing background checks on all green card and work permit applicants. Instead, Washington is afraid to act because it isn’t politically safe. Then they are bothered when a state tries to do their job for them. Congress, if you do not want bills like this to be passed in other states, then do your job, secure the border and fix this mess now!

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By EMILY CHANG, III  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

The new immigration law in Arizona is a frightening example of what happens when you mix xenophobia with a broken federal immigration system. Senate Bill 1070, as the law is officially known, allows local police officers to determine whether or not people are in the country legally. This responsibility was previously delegated to federal law enforcement officials. The law is vaguely worded, giving police officers the power to ask any passerby for documentation proving their lawful residence in the United States, as long as there is “reasonable suspicion.”

These two little words, “reasonable suspicion,” are themselves reasonably suspicious enough. They are ambiguous in nature and encourage racial profiling. To be realistic, what steadfast criteria does a police officer have for “reasonable suspicion?” SB 1070’s proponents may argue that there is similar terminology in existing laws which gives police officers the power to pull over anyone they suspect of being drunk—and if police officials can do that on account of “reasonable suspicion,” why can’t they detain someone who could be an illegal immigrant? The only difference between these scenarios is that there is no way of determining whether someone is illegal or not without checking that person’s records. Citizenship status and “legality,” or the lack thereof, cannot be determined based on scientific or even behavioral evidence, such as blood alcohol levels or poor driving. This fact begets the question, “What does an illegal immigrant look like?” The prevailing belief is that illegal immigrants are Latino, or even more broadly, non-whites. But is this not outrageous? Who would not find it humiliating to be arrested because of his or her ethnicity? The reality is that no police official is going to arrest a white person under suspicion of being illegal. Inevitably, Latinos and other minorities will become the targets of this legislation, whether or not they are illegal immigrants, or even immigrants. The brazen Senate Bill 1070 inadvertently victimizes certain people of certain races, human beings who merely seek what should be an inalienable right of all immigrants—the capacity to become a citizen in the first place!

Immigration policy and enforcement have always been federal responsibilities. One goes to the United States of America, not the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to apply to become a resident of this nation. Similarly, the federal government enforces immigration policy through U.S. Customs and Border Protection and its uniformed branch the Border Patrol. Federal law, however, is very confusing in places, and in others, utterly nonsensical and archaic. “What happened at the Constitutional Convention?” and “The House of Representatives has how many voting members?” for example, are two questions on the test used by the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services to determine applicants’ eligibility for naturalization. What intrinsic truths do these questions about Eurocentric American history and federal legal infrastructure reveal about a person’s moral caliber or patriotic character? Aside from unfair testing, immigrants also often experience frustration dealing with the amount of time and money it takes to attain citizenship. Many also struggle with the language barrier.

Arizona’s new law sets a dangerous new precedent of states controlling immigration policy and enforcement. The law is not even beneficial to Arizona, as it frightens away the immigrant population. Many immigrants, illegal and legal, are up in arms over this outrageous legislation. This will not benefit the marketplace, because this demographic accounts for 29 billion dollars of Arizona’s economy. The way to relieve America of its “immigration issue” is not by indiscriminately punishing those who are and are perceived to be illegal immigrants, people who are frequently handicapped by English illiteracy and poverty. The solution to this issue is to address the root of the problem: the broken immigration system. SB 1070 may be noble in intention, but in application it is destructive to both American citizens and American immigrants, legal or not.

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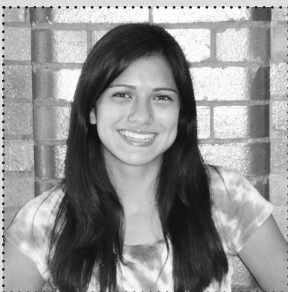
Do you support the new Arizona  
Immigration Bill?



“No, because it is based on nativism and necessarily is going to rely on racial profiling.”  
—Amelia Burke, I



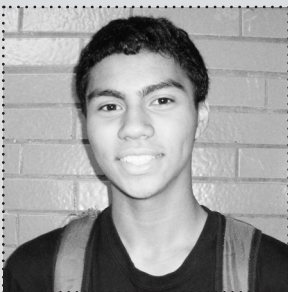
“I think that the law is ridiculous and it certainly has the potential to be extremely racist.”  
—Michelle Howard, II



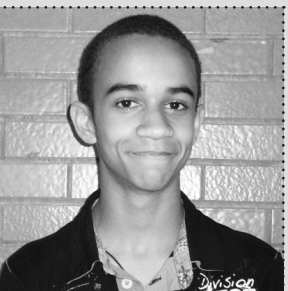
“I disagree with the law because it promotes racism.”  
—Angela Castillo, III



“No, because it isn't right to racially profile.”  
—Edalina Wang, IV



“I disagree with the law because it results in disrespectful misjudgments made by the police.”  
—Brian Mangilog, V



“No, because it legalizes racial profiling and racism.”  
—Sean Cheatum, VI



# FORUM

## Dress Code Readdressed

By **NHU LE, IV**  
STAFF WRITER

A few weeks ago, rumors began swirling around the school of a possible change in the dress code. Mr. Flynn recently confirmed that the dress code currently in the student handbook will be modified to include the following paragraph next year:

“Students must be covered from the shoulders to four inches above the knees. For example, tank tops, short skirts and short shorts are unacceptable; visible underwear and spaghetti strap garments are also unacceptable.”

The problem with the proposed dress code is that some of its clauses are absurd. It is reasonable to forbid visible underwear. It is not reasonable to ban spaghetti strap garments or tank tops. It only makes sense for clothing to be forbidden by the school if it disrupts the educational process by being overly suggestive. However, spaghetti strap garments show off only the shoulders, which is, frankly, not a suggestive body part. Tank tops are even more conservative, as they only expose arms. Neither show excessive skin and therefore should not be banned—unlike, say, actually questionable attire that the new policy curiously neglects to mention.

Next year, students will still be able to wear extremely revealing low-cut shirts, as long as they have sleeves. Likewise, the dress code does not mention form-fitting dresses, leggings as pants or any other tight

garments, though these clothes are also suggestive. If anything would distract students from their studies, it would be this type of apparel, not tank tops or spaghetti straps. The bottom line is that if a student wishes to dress provocatively next year, he or she will still be able to do so while adhering to the dress code. Students will not even have to dress very differently, as tight clothes and low-cut shirts are already prevalent in the school.

The new dress code’s length requirement for shorts and skirts is also illogical. First, the requirement itself is problematic. It is measured from knee up, not from the crotch down. This means that the amount of leg that one will have to cover depends on one’s height. Tall students have longer legs and therefore, will have to wear longer shorts. Additionally, the length requirement for shorts and skirts are the same although shorts *are not* synonymous with skirts when it comes to length acceptability. A certain length may be inappropriate for skirts but still be appropriate for shorts. After all, you can still bend over in shorts six or seven inches above the knee but not in skirts that length.

The administration also does not take into account convenience and comfort. In the winter, the new policy is of no consequence. In the summer, however, only T-shirts and long-sleeved shirts will be accept-

able. This not only curtails clothing choices but will be uncomfortable in a school that has no air-conditioning in most of its classrooms. It is especially impractical during declamation, as many female students prefer declaiming in dresses. I certainly do. But there are *very few* dresses with tops that resemble T-shirts. I suppose that students could wear a light sweater over the dress, but how can one stand a sweater in the sweltering heat?

On top of everything, students will have to buy a new wardrobe that adheres to the dress code – perhaps a wardrobe separate from their personal wardrobe. This will cost money and effort, especially as some clothing that follows the dress code are difficult to find. For example, it is difficult to purchase shorts that are four inches or less above the knee, flattering, and *not* capris. It will be even more difficult for students who are tall, as they will require longer shorts to meet the length requirement.

I can understand why the administration wishes to change the dress code. The current one is vague and does not blatantly forbid current fashion trends which are not acceptable for school. The specific clauses of the new dress code, however, have too many unreasonable limitations and too many omissions. As such, I do not share the administration’s optimism about the new dress code. Even if most students follow the dress code, the students will not be more focused on their work or respectably dressed, as the administration claims. The dress code will simply create sweaty, disgruntled students, and a handful of them will be dressed just as provocatively as they were before.



THESE WON'T BE ALLOWED!

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## Don't Ask Don't Tell

By **ESHE SHIRLEY, III**  
STAFF WRITER

The “Don’t Ask, Don’t Tell” policy has been a controversial topic in the United States for our whole lives. Now, with an approval from the Senate, the policy will be no more. “Don’t Ask, Don’t tell” (DADT), is a federal bill, which denies Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender (LGBT) service-members from serving openly in the military. This topic of LGBT people in the military has been an issue for the military for many years. In the past, if a soldier was known to be gay, he or she would not be allowed to serve in the military. If he or she managed to get in, and their true sexual orientation were to be discovered, the soldier would be dishonorably discharged.

When President Bill Clinton was campaigning in the early 1990s, the policy became a major issue with conservatives and LGBT activists alike. So when Clinton was elected, Congress immediately tried to push through a federal law like the existing policy, which stated that being gay and being in the military didn’t mix. They made sure they got this bill passed before Clinton could try and propose the repeal of the policy he had promised during the election. DADT came out of that struggle as a supposed compromise between the two groups. You could now be gay and be in the military... as long as you never tell anyone your true sexual identity. You couldn’t show people who you really were. Since its inception, DADT has caused the dismissal of over 13,500 LGBT soldiers since 1993 and cost tax-payers (also known as your parents) over 200 million dollars in finding replacement soldiers. The military

constantly bemoans its lack of recruits, yet it doesn’t want to take advantage of deploying willing LGBT enlisters. People say we ought to cut unnecessary spending, yet there are 200 million unnecessary dollars used for recruiting new soldiers. This does not seem like a good way to al-



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leviate our financial lamentations. People argue that the law would protect LGBT soldiers from harassment because no one would know who was gay or not. This is misleading because now, when a gay soldier is harassed because of their sexual orientation, they have no basis for filing a complaint, because it means they would have to “tell.” Others said that if LGBT soldiers served openly, it would create a negative impact on troop morale, cohesion, good order and military readiness. This argument has been disproved by the military itself, which has released studies showing that none of their attitudes are in no way affected by gays and lesbians serving in the military.

But now, DADT is poised to be

repealed by 2011. The repealing bill, proposed by Patrick Murphy, a member of the House of Representatives, is called the Military Readiness Enhancement Act (MREA) and was passed by the House on May 27. MREA allows LGBT soldiers to serve openly in the military, and soldiers formerly discharged based on DADT would be eligible to reenlist. MREA does not, however, allow benefits for same-sex partners or spouses because of the Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA). It’s wonderful that finally, after 17 years, our government has finally stepped up to abolish a bill that clearly did not treat all Americans as equals. The most heartening part of the conversation surrounding this bill is the discussion regarding how the public feels towards it. Most polls estimate that at least 75% of Americans do not support DADT. It’s nice to see that our ideals as a country have improved as the years continue.

Let’s hope that the Senate takes Americans’ attitudes into consideration when it votes on the bill this summer. If the bill passes in the Senate, it would mean the US military could finally recoup the loss of 800 critical service-members, such as doctors, nurses and linguists necessary for the current conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan. It would mean that finally, after 17 years, 65,000 soldiers could serve with openness, and that the military could recognize the service of over a million gay soldiers with the respect they deserve.

## Ask the Argo She-Wolf

Dear Omnipotent She-Wolf,  
I’m really afraid right now. I was just minding my own business in my house, when all of a sudden, I hear Chief Meteorologist Pete Bouchard from Channel 7 News announcing a TORNADO WATCH in the state. Tornadoes? In Massachusetts? What are you talking about, Pete?!? I mean, I’m not one to question local hunk Pete Bouchard and his future-telling prowess (that’s why he got the job, duh), but I was a little reluctant to believe him. So, I went out for a walk with my dog, as always, even though my silly aunt and uncle locked themselves in the cellar, but all of a sudden, I saw it! A tornado had hit Massachusetts! I ran into a nearby house only to have it be absorbed by the tornado. Now, I’m in some weird place with scarecrows, lions and men made of tin! I’m a little freaked out, and I think I accidentally killed a woman...so what do I do???

- Kan Anyone New Save A Slipped Girl In a Remote Location?

Dear KANSAS GIRL,  
Heed the kind warnings of the vertically inept villagers and seek the glowing green city, Chrynobel. Then, you must find the scary old wench that totally wants your hot little ballet flats, and then drown her. Oh, and don’t worry about being lost. You’ll get home eventually! You will meet a very old and wise man, and he will explain to you that you’ve been home all along because home is where the heart is! He’ll lend you his hot air balloon, and you’ll fly fly fly away home. Haha! Jk, you’re gonna be stuck there forevz <3 <3  
-Omnipotent She-Wolf

Dear Omnipotent She-Wolf,  
I don’t understand why people feel the need to disregard the old-age saying, “Mind your beeswax.” Excuse me, did I invite you to my barbecue? No. Then, why are you in my grill?... Some questions are always unanswered, and I simply don’t understand. Anyway, I have a son—a perfectly healthy son—who is two years old and happens to act differently than other two-year-olds. Whatever, you know, freedom of expression. If I saw your son skateboarding down the park sidewalk with you by his side, would I say anything? No. In fact, I’d be impressed but I wouldn’t worry about his safety because I’d know that his parents were beside him. Anyway, so what if my son decides to smoke cigarettes? He likes it, and he looks fine. Plus, he pays for it with his own money. If anything, people should be proud of my son because he provides for our family with his part-time job selling cigarettes (in addition to the lemonade he sells at his extremely successful lemonade stand). He just happens to smoke the extra ones that he doesn’t sell. So, how do I convince people to get off me? Thanks!

- Startled Mother On Kwest to End Discrimination

Dear SMOKED,  
Oh well...some kids just mature faster than others. Don’t feel ashamed that your child is advanced. Keep your head held high, and ignore the haters—they’re just jealous. :)  
-Omnipotent She-Wolf

Send your anonymous questions, worries, conundrums, lamentations, queries, or anything else you might want to send us to:

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# Congratulations Olivia!

*The future is not ours to know, and it may never be-  
so let us live and give our best and give it lavishly!*

-An old Irish saying

Love,

Michaela '99 BLS, Andrew '01 BLS,  
Nicholas '01 BLS, James '05 BBN, Mariella '07 BBN  
&  
Dad and Mom

June 14, 2010

# Congratulations Patricia,

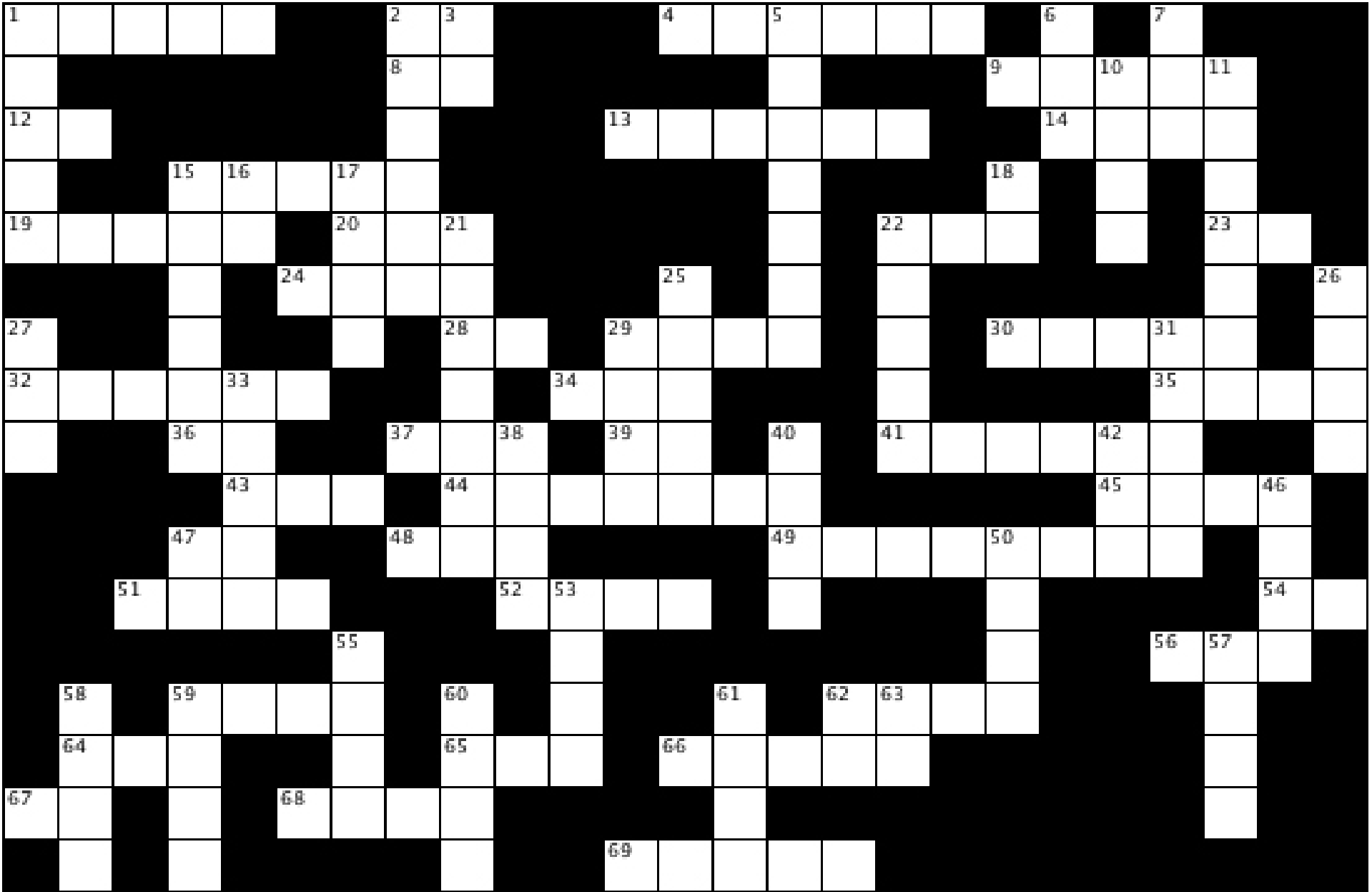


**Well Done!**

**Love from Mom, Dad & Victoria**



# FUN PAGE



## Across

1. I'm in this Florida city, trick  
2. *Full House* surname; more orange than you  
3. One half of Hugs and kisses  
5. Country completely surrounded by South Africa  
6. Boston has red ones; Chicago has white ones  
7. Japanese currency  
10. M&M manufacturer; 4th planet from the Sun  
11. *Bambi* rabbit  
15. World No. 1 women's tennis player  
16. Ancient Sumerian city; belonging to you (abbr.)  
17. Gorilla relatives; Akeson class (abbr.)  
18. *That 70's Show* state (abbr.)  
21. Senior class president '10  
22. Give me a break; cut me some \_\_\_\_  
25. Japanese ice cream/topping  
26. United States president '08  
27. Insect repellent!  
29. Snookie hairstyle  
31. Diploma language  
33. 1888 baseball poem: \_\_\_\_ at the Bat  
38. BLS Argo Editor-in-Chief

40. Today in Italy  
42. Shock and \_\_\_\_  
46. 2009 Academy Award Best Picture: The \_\_\_\_ Locker  
47. Between mi and sol  
50. 2006 Pixar movie  
53. Simpsons bus driver  
55. Shoe brand; lethal feline  
57. Topanga's boyfriend (Boy Meets World)  
58. Clue professor  
59. The People's Historian  
60. Ke\$ha single (x3)  
61. *Friends* coffeehouse: Central \_\_\_\_  
62. Down Under (abbr.)  
63. 2010 symbols: small downgrade (abbr.)

1. Mulan's guardian dragon  
2. Only US state with the letter 'x' (abbr.)  
4. She said, "You're moving with your auntie and uncle in \_\_\_\_"  
8. Japanese for both blue and green  
9. Santa Claus reindeer  
12. Stomach muscle; the Situation's favorite body part  
13. Seaside Heights locale  
14. Vietnamese for both blue and green  
15. Largest country in Africa  
19. 6'9" American tennis giant  
20. Louvre pyramid architect  
22. This trip will never be allowed again...  
23. Anapolis state (abbr.)  
24. Swiss capital  
28. Backstreet Boys member: \_\_\_\_ McLean  
29. Hopping toy: \_\_\_\_ stick  
30. 2008 Pixar movie  
32. Biggest language mistake at BLS  
34. Snow White dwarf  
35. Popular JP-Rozzy hangout spot  
36. US airline hq'd in Fort Worth (abbr.)

37. Gown addendum  
39. Canadian *Grey's Anatomy* actress  
41. Break me off a piece of that \_\_\_\_ bar (hyph.)  
43. This squared + cos squared = 1  
44. Team Rocket pokemon  
45. Con; avec; mit  
47. Iron (abbr.); half of New Mexico's capital  
48. Peanut butter brand  
49. Her father, like, invented Toaster Strudel  
51. Beloved OxiClean spokesman  
52. Model-T car brand  
54. St; ave; blvd  
56. SAT alternative  
59. Senior class president '09  
62. Iran, Iraq and North Korea: the \_\_\_\_ of Evil  
64. Hawaiian Day accessory  
65. Shortest zodiac sign  
66. World No. 2 women's tennis player  
67. Future home of 60 members of 2010 (abbr.)  
68. Don't call her name, Alejandro  
69. Boston bridge

## Sudokus

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Bridget,  
From your very first day of school, we knew you  
were something special!

Congratulations on your graduation from BLS!  
We love you and are proud of all your  
accomplishments!

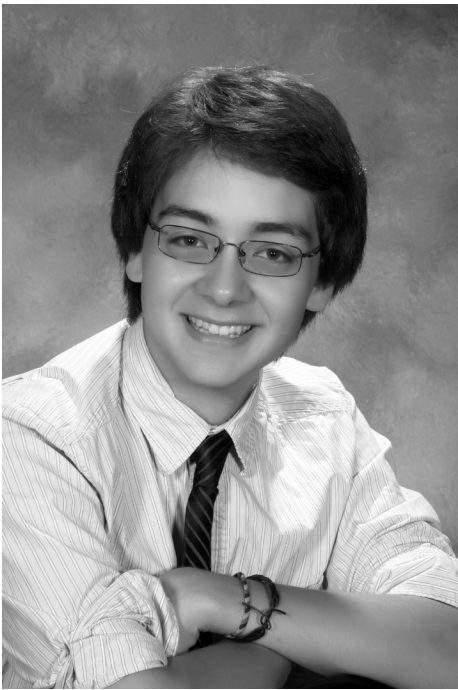


Love,  
Mom, Dad, Becky '05 and Bobby '08  
**Good Luck at UCONN!!**



# FAREWELLS

## President Tadesh Inagaki



CLASS OF 2010! Here we are. Look around. Unless I've made a terrible mistake about when this *Argo* is distributed, you should be seeing a beautiful day at the Pavilion... And if it's cloudy, who cares? WE'RE GRADUATING! Yeah. Has it hit you yet? We're finished. Done. We're crossing the stage today and heading into lives none of us can begin to imagine. It's

insane and incredible and unbelievable and a bunch of other words with two letter prefixes that I can't think of right now. So seriously, look up. Check out the other 390 goofs in bright purple gowns. Laugh for a second at how it is physically impossible for anyone to look good in a graduation cap. Then take a breath and be proud. We have made it. BLS history, here we come.

I have to say, 2010, we've owned Boston Latin School. Survived the classes, the homework, the late nights and the long days. We've poured our hearts into games on the field and on the court, into performances on the stage and in our classrooms, and into more extracurricular activities than I could list with the 600 words I've been given. The statistics don't lie: the class of 2010 is the best damn class the school has ever seen. And now it's time for us to go. We've made history and we're leaving it behind. We've got bigger, better, crazier things to do – like college, for example.

OK wait, I'm getting ahead of myself. Yes, *its all ooooooover*, but before we turn the page on this crazy shindig of a chapter in our lives, I'd like to take this opportunity to look back at this year, acknowledge some things, thank some people, and be

generally nostalgic and emotional.

It really has been an incredible year. I'm not trying to throw around the word incredible like "Wow, its incredible that little Bobby ate his broccoli today." I mean incredible like "Wow, they *really did* shift every portrait in the auditorium when they put up Mrs. Kelly's picture" incredible. Incredible like "I'm sorry? Mr. Southwick *didn't* assign homework?!" incredible, or even (for Celtics fans) incredible like during the middle of Game 2, when everyone thought to themselves, "Holy \_\_\_\_\_, Ray Allen just hit *seven* threes in the first half!" You get the idea.

For me, this year has been incredible because I've discovered just how amazing the class of 2010 is, and I've had the opportunity to represent the class as President, alongside the best co-officers anyone could ask for: Olivia, Beata, and Eli. It was a tougher job than I expected. At times it was stressful, tiring, and just plain difficult (I've decided it is impossible to entice every homeroom rep into one room after school at the same time). But despite all the challenge, I learned a lot. I learned how deceptively difficult it is to make big ideas reality (for all of you still waiting for your SeniorCard – I am very sorry it didn't work; I really thought

it was possible and really tried to make it happen). I learned not to promise things in a campaign unless they're already *done*. But I also learned how great it feels when something *does* work, even if it's only for the last week and a day. I learned how nerve-racking it is right before you stand up to talk in front of your whole grade, and how awesome it is to yell "Twenty-TEN" and hear it yelled back. It's been an amazing and wild ride. So *thank you* 2010, for giving me this once in a lifetime opportunity. I will never forget it.

Well, my word count is rising at a frightening rate, so I've got to wrap this up. One last thing: this year I think we've all met new people, reunited with old friends, and tried to hold on to those who've always stuck by our sides. Considering that today we leave high school forever, I think it's a perfect time to appreciate the friends that have made our BLS lives livable. I'd like to thank especially Allyn, Emily, and most of all Elodie – I couldn't have made it without you. And there are so many other seniors who have made my experience at BLS – I know that I have more thanks due than I can hope to repay. Now that's just me. Go spread your own 2010 love. I recommend hugs or kisses or dap, depending on the relationship.

## Vice President Olivia Collins



I remember sitting in homeroom in the eighth grade when Mrs. Kelly came in and told us that in five quick years, we would be the 375<sup>th</sup> graduating class and that our class was important. She told us that we were special, that our year was special. Up until senior year, I did not feel as though our year was important. I thought we were the same as any of the other graduating classes. It was not until May 27<sup>th</sup> that I realized I was wrong. It was third lunch, and seniors from all three lunches filled the senior section of the dining hall, all about to do what the administration so strongly hated. All it took was one of us to start banging on the tables and scream "IT'S ALL OVER," for the rest of us to join in. Everyone's faces were lit up with excitement in the thirty second period we had to scream our chants. It was not that I felt we were important

because everyone participated in the chant, rather, we were important because we worked together to get it done. During that 22 minute lunch period, I had a strong feeling of unity, friendship and love. Over the past four, six or seven years, our grade has grown to become a united class. Through that unity, cliques were no longer existent, and friendships grew between everyone. As a class, we began to love one another despite our differences, because ultimately, we were working together to make high school one of the best experiences of our lives. I think that is what makes our class so special and important – not because we make history as the 375<sup>th</sup> class, but because we make history as true examples of Boston Latin School students. We are an ideal graduating class. I could not ask for anything better than all of you. You have made my time here at Latin the best experience of my

life. Thank you for making me feel welcome in 8<sup>th</sup> grade when I entered your class and thank you for making me a better person today. We have gone through the toughest years of our lives together, and because of that, all of us have become stronger. I want to wish you all good luck in your future endeavors, even though I am sure none of you need it.

Let us enjoy this summer together, and when we split apart and go off on our own journeys, make sure to never lose contact or our friendships. The friendships we have made here will last a lifetime. Let us not forget the people we have become. There have been times when we hated who we were or what we looked like, but in the end every one of us has become a beautiful person on the inside and outside. Finally, let us always remember that we are the Class of 2010 that has made history and has become unforgettable.

## Secretary Beata Coloyan



How I Feel About Graduating:  
231 was the best homeroom...besides 115 with the seven Chens of course. Purple will forever be our subconscious

favorite color. Millennium Park is the best place to watch thunderstorms and rainbows. IHOP is THE place to go after prom, just ask the 100 who were there last week. Getting good grades is important, but not the end of the world. No one actually studies for SATs. Ninth grade Biology is actually hilarious. So is Sex-Ed in eighth grade. The Crew team is the most hated and (secretly) loved team in the school. Five Guys is the best place to eat hands-down, especially for breakfast. The guidance department is the reason why we are all still sane, thank you. I don't care what anyone says, UGGs are the most comfortable thing since footie-pajamas. Mr. Harper gives the best advice, despite being a Yankees fan. The trick to winning an election is with 400 cupcakes and the ability to pull an all-nighter to make them. You can trick teachers into giving you a better grade if you cry. Your agenda book has actually been your best friend these past six years. If you sit down and just do it, a five-page paper only takes thirty minutes. We've had three "snow days" that didn't have any snow. And six

where we got trapped at school because they refused to call one. If you fail to cover your textbook during the first week of school, your teacher will hate you for the rest of the year. If you cover your textbook during the first week of school and offer to pass out the syllabus, your classmates will hate you for the rest of the year. But no pressure. Being in the Hypnotist is probably the best life-decision you can ever make. CPTPC is the most useful thing you can ever learn. Cluster A will forever be united by Mr. Haritos and his lessons on how to sneeze. Lunch outside was the best (and only) senior privilege. No one slept the week the Red Sox beat the Yankees and went on to win the World Series. School lunch pizza is surprisingly delicious. It is still undetermined as to who pooped in the hallway during the lockdown. The bathroom wall writings are the classiest literature you will ever read. Only at Latin school would people correct each other's grammar on the bathroom walls. Sixie year is your only chance to dress horribly and not be judged. Fivsie year is the only chance to wear too much Axe

and Abercrombie perfume and not be judged. Freshman year onward...you will be judged. Latin is a language as dead as it can be, first it killed the Romans and it almost killed me. Mr. Hibbard was right about the aliens. Ask me later if you want the Franklin Twins number. Doing all five of your summer reading reports the day before school is hard but not impossible. Getting coffee past Ms. Holm before homeroom certifies you as a Master Jedi. You know Sami's sells food too, right? Fist-bumping Manny is the best way to start and end your day.

But seriously. To my fellow seniors, you have made these past couple years the best of my life. I personally want to thank each and every person (teachers too!) who helped me survive and make my way through this amazing school. To those of you still here, I hope you've learned a little from my list of tips. Please take care of our beloved BLS. I love all of you, and see you all at Rally! And to all in the class of 2010: don't forget, I'm the one you get to hear from when we have our reunions –so it's not really goodbye, just talk to you later.



# FAREWELLS

## Valedictorian Nida Naushad



Hello, (or should I say goodbye?) everyone at BLS. I never really thought I would have to write one of these someday, and for the life of me, I cannot remember

what anyone else has said in years past. I am afraid you are going to have to put up with a bit of a ramble.

So...Boston Latin School. It has been an experience to say the least, and not really quite like I imagined it would be all those years ago. I definitely thought it would be filled with a ton of cutthroat, scary-competitive people. I will not deny that for the past few years I have been almost completely immersed in my textbooks and notes, but my best high school memories do not include studying for that US History test, or writing that English paper (no offense to any of my teachers).

The people here are probably what I will miss most about the school—and not just those in my close circle of friends. This year, I have heard a ton a people say (and I am equally guilty of this), “Wait, they’re in our grade? I’ve never even seen them before!” Upon reflection, it is a bit silly. There were a lot of people I only really met and got to know this year, and that is probably one of my biggest regrets—we could have had so many more years of

awesomeness together. So to all the underclassmen reading this (this is free advice here, so listen up), do not wait until senior year to really branch out from your circle of friends; seriously, when there are over 2000 other kids in the school, there are bound to be at least a few strangers who you might discover to be really cool.

Everyone has something that keeps them sane as they struggle to handle the infamous Latin School workload. For me it was things like afternoon crew practices, an hour of mindless television per night, my homemade iced mocha lattes, and therapeutic weekend shopping trips. I just want to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has helped keep me sane over the past few years. I never imagined I would be valedictorian someday (and honestly, it is not even something to which I aspired—the idea of making that speech terrified me!), but I could never have done this without your support and love.

Every year, Boston Latin School throws together a group of kids from

different neighborhoods, backgrounds, and personalities, but it works because we all have a common goal: we all want to succeed. When I came in as a sixie, I had no idea that we would be the 375<sup>th</sup> graduating class—but now it seems like that’s all I ever hear about when people are talking about our class. We’re more than a historical class, though. We’re not special just because we happened to graduate in 2010. From academics to athletics, from the arts to social activism, we’ve done a ton of work to make the school and community proud. And more than anything we should be remembered for that. If our work at BLS is any indication, we’re going to be a force to be reckoned with once we enter the real world.

To the class of 2010, there is not another group of people with which I would rather be graduating. To everyone else, you only have a few years left and they will fly by faster than you think; enjoy the time you have. Thanks for everything, Boston Latin School. I guess this is goodbye.

## Salutatorian Victoria Luu



I have to be honest with you—I really didn’t know how to begin this farewell. I mean, how do you say goodbye to the people with whom you’ve spent the past four (or six) years in a simple newspaper article? But we’re not really saying goodbye, because there is no way we can possibly forget about all these amazing

people we’ve met, the good and the bad memories we’ve shared, and everything we’ve gone through as the Boston Latin School Historic 375<sup>th</sup> Class of 2010. And as long as we don’t forget, we’re never really saying goodbye.

When I first came to BLS, my family was my main motivation. I grew up being the *one* to count on—the one to call when furniture had to be moved into the new house, the one you could always rely on as a last-minute baby-sitter, and the one who would tell a crazy bedtime story or help with tutoring whenever I was needed.

I was also the first to “leave the nest.” Growing up in a suburban town, I had aunts, uncles, cousins, and grandparents practically on every street. When I moved out to the grand city of Boston and then soon after started my life as a BLS B-sie, everything was different. I was now in a city and school where I knew almost nobody.

But somewhere along the line, I think we all became something more than just another BLS kid. Whether it was becoming a hardworking BLS student who crammed while walking down the hallway for that test in the next class, a club leader freaking out as the next event

was quickly coming up, or a member of the band sighing as Mr. Pitts told us on the day of the concert that we would have to wear all black when many of us had already brought our colorful concert apparel to school, we each became an integral part of the BLS community and a talented individual of the BLS Class of 2010.

Four years later, I have to say that, as difficult as it has been to get through these past years, I couldn’t have asked for a better outcome. Boston Latin School has given me many...um...challenges...to overcome (haha, as I’m sure most of you may agree), but it has given me so many more opportunities to take advantage of, goals to accomplish, and memories to celebrate. Seniors, as we near our official entrance into the “real world,” the one piece of advice I have to offer is to find your inspiration. Find something that drives you forward, and follow it. I still say that my family is one of my main motivations, but my family has grown dramatically.

And I want to thank that family. B-sies, thank you for sticking by me, being amazing, and being the first new additions to my family. After letting us live in room 103 for years, Magna Mater, you

are definitely the coolest second mom a girl could ever have. Thank you for always giving us advice, for keeping me sane after Ms. McCourt’s English class, and for not being Ms. Keeley (haha). Thank you, Chris and Arivu, for being the younger older brothers I’ve never had, for always looking out for me, for helping me carry suitcases upstairs on many occasions, and for being great triumvirs. Thank you to all my friends who have helped me grow and learn, and thank you to my “youngins” for being the best kids I never gave birth to. Mr. Montague, Headmaster Mooney Teta, and Mr. Flynn, I don’t know what I would have done without your guidance for my indecisiveness, support for our infinite number of proposals, and endless supply of tea and patience on stressful days. Thank you, Mr. Akeson and Mrs. Johnson, for putting up with my panic attacks and recommendation requests. Señora Kelley, gracias por apoyarnos y ayudarnos subir las montañas difíciles de aprender otro idioma. Thank you to all of my teachers for trying to get through my stubbornness. And Class of 2010, I would wish you guys the best of luck, but you don’t need it. Thank you for being absolutely amazing.

## Treasurer Eli Hoffman



Hello everyone, Senior year is often considered to be the most difficult of the high school years, mainly due to the college process. But we can all happily say that we’ve made it through the most difficult year and are all graduating, ready for the next stage in our lives.

I realize that many of you did not know who I was before my speech in October. But I hope that isn’t all you think of when you think of me. This year has been rough, and I’m disappointed that I wasn’t able to accomplish as much as I had hoped. There are many of you out there who doubted me the entire year, and now feel like you were justified in that doubt. But seriously, people, this is senior year: have a little fun and lighten up. I was honored to be chosen to represent such an historic class, and I can’t thank you all enough for making that possible.

Whether many realize it or not, there is a lot of behind-the-scenes work as a class officer. It is a bit stressful, but

definitely worth it. As philosopher and political figure, Snoop Doggy Dogg once said, “with so much drama in the LBC it’s kinda hard being Snoop D O double G.” And I have to say, I can relate to Snoop. We both still find a way to keep coming up with funky stuff, like, every single day.

The Ogra Newsletter was a fantastic idea that lacked execution. Aadhar and I would both like to extend our apologies for that. It is hard to say what exactly turned that bi-weekly newsletter into an annual one. Some might say laziness, some might say apathy, but I say censorship! If you edit this, Poff, it’s just a further example of the man keeping us down. We never stood a chance in such a monopolized, capitalistic environment. Just like Romulus and Remus fought for a taste of their mother’s milk in our school logo, we too fought for a taste of freedom in a world of injustice. It is no surprise that we came up short. The Argo wolf pup was just too strong for us.

Some of you still ask why I ran for

Treasurer. I like money and I wanted to try something new because I felt like I never had a chance to fully express myself in my time at Latin. I put myself out there really for the first time and it was a great experience for me. I hope you all can understand this reasoning and don’t feel like I did it simply to be funny.

I didn’t feel like I knew you all very well before this year, but I’m very happy to say that I can now call all of you my friends. This class will be remembered for years to come as the 375<sup>th</sup> graduating class, but that isn’t the only reason. This is the best graduating class ever to pass through Latin since botanist Edward Tuckerman’s historic class of 1827. I firmly believe you all will move on to great success, and I wish you all the best wherever you may end up. As Woody Allen said, “I don’t want to achieve immortality through my work – I want to achieve it through not dying.” Remember this as you move on in life. Thank you again for your support, and good luck.



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Daniel Boyle	Brandeis U	Griffin, Michael	U Mass Amherst	McCann, Liam	U Mass Amherst	Situ, Ann	Bentley U
Brigida, Elle	Wagner C	Grose, Ralston	U Mass Lowell	McCarty, Matthew	Bridgewater State C	Situ, Pauline	MCPHS
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Buechs, Kayla	U Mass Lowell	Haidar, Hadi	Boston U	McCourt, Allyn	U Mass Lowell	Smith, Michael	Suffolk U
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Butler, Kaitlyn	Fairfield U	Hall, Gregory	George Washington U	McDonnell, Megan	Boston C	Speicher, Tonia	U Mass Amherst
Byrne, Stephen	Salve Regina U	Hamilton, Katherine	Wagner C	McDonough, Daniel	Sacred Heart U	Spellman, Matthew	Providence C
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Cardoso, Chanel	Suffolk U	Heil, Michael	U Mass Amherst	Mei, Sally	Northeastern U	Sutherby, Kaitlin	U Hartford
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Carr, Brian	U Mass Boston	Hibbard, Isabel	Connecticut C	Mesciogl, Esra	U Mass Boston	Sybertz, Trevor	Roger Williams U
Carreiro, Christopher	Temple U	Hill, Benjamin	Brandeis U	Middleton, Christopher	Goucher C	Tang, William	Boston U
Carson, Anna	Boston U	Hills, Kwonateisha	Boston Architectural C	Miller, Derek	U of Edinburgh	Tao, Dora	Harvard C
Carter, Nicholas	U Mass Amherst	Ho, Edward	Boston U	Minahan, Sarah	Middlebury C	Tarshahani, Tarek	Bridgewater State C
Carvalho, Deyse	Salem State C	Ho, Kit	U of San Francisco	Molinari, Massimiliano	Berklee C of Music	Tavares, Samuel	Penn State U
Casimir, Stefanie	Boston U	Ho, Sam	George Washington U	Monday, Samantha	Stonehill C	Tilton, Lily	Colby C
Catalfamo, Christopher	Berklee C of Music	Hoac, Jenny	Boston U	Monestime, Christopher	U Mass Lowell	To, Camlinh	Boston U
Chang, Sylvia	Boston U	Hoang, Ryan	Northeastern U	Montgomery, Glennon	Arizona State U	To, Vimin	Emmanuel C
Chau, Wesley	U Mass Boston	Hoff, Daniel	Suffolk U	Moreno, Nicholas	Boston U	Tocker, Justice	Mass Art
Chen, Benjamin	Boston U	Hoffman, Eli	U Mass Amherst	Mulrooney, Megan	Curry C	Tolbert, Jakara	Parsons School of Design
Chen, Joanna	U Mass Amherst	Hogan, Lydia	Boston U	Murphy, Shannon	U Mass Amherst	Ton, Anna	U Mass Amherst
Chen, Sam	Boston U	Holden, Shelby	U Mass Lowell	Murphy, William	U Mass Lowell	Toussaint, Kimberleen	Salem State C
Chen, Songwen	Boston C	Huang, Cheng	Harvard C	Naushad, Nida	Harvard C	Tracy, Karen	Cornell U
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Chen, Winnie	Tufts U	Hughes, Michaela	C of Charleston	Netter, Melanie	Cornell U	Tran, Jennifer	Boston U
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Cirillo, Emily	George Washington U	Husain, Sameen	U Mass Amherst	Nguyen, Bethany	Boston C	Truong, Nghi	Boston C
Clark, Miles	Northeastern U	Iftica, Helena	U Mass Boston	Nguyen, Christopher	Boston U	Turley, Patrick	U.S. Marine Corps
Collier, Justyne	Colby-Sawyer C	Imafidon, Joyce	Boston C	Nguyen, Hieu Thua	Northeastern U	Ty, Kim Soun	U Mass Boston
Collins, Olivia	Saint Michaels C	Inagaki, Tadesh	Princeton U	Nguyen, Thomas	MCPHS	Valada, Luke	McGill U
Coloyan, Beata	Boston U	Izuchi, Kenechi	Framingham State C	Nguyen, Thuan	Northeastern U	Vandorpe, Elizabeth	Wellesley C
Condonellis, Kayla	WIT	Jackson, Maxwell	Northeastern U	Nosal, Katherine	Boston U	Varga, Arjun	Boston C
Coq, Stephen	Regis C	Jager, Emily	George Washington U	O'Brien, Brighid	Fordham U	Ventura, Michelle	Boston U
Cordero, Anabel	Emmanuel C	Jain, Sanchay	NYU	O'Connor, Stephenie	Boston U	Viereck, Henry	Hofstra U
Coyne, Victoria Ann	U of Tampa	Javierbieda, Gabrielle	AIB	Ogundipe, Olajide	U Mass Amherst	Vitale, Adam	Boston U
Creighton, Thomas	WIT	Jonas-Silver, Maya	Harvard C	Ojimba, Gloria	Northeastern U	Vo, Kimberly	Boston C
Cronin, Matthew	U Mass Amherst	Jones, Andisa	Pine Manor C	Omolade, Renee	Emmanuel C	Vraibel, Jenna	U Mass Lowell
Cronin, Stephen	Parsons School of Design	Joyce, Hannah	U Mass Amherst	O'Neil, Gerald	Northeastern U	Vu, Ann	Boston U
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Daly, Taylor	Boston U	Kauffman, Caitlin	Pace U	Osborn, Anne	Stanford U	Wang, Edbert	Cooper Union
Darcy, Erin	Bridgewater State C	Kazimierczak, Kristina	U Mass Lowell	Otero, Justine	U Mass Amherst	Wang, Jiayuan	Tufts U
DeAngelo, Andrew	U Mass Lowell	Keane-Farrell, Bryn	American U	Palermo, Jenna	U Mass Lowell	Wang, Jinzhao	Harvard C
Deleon, Ashley	Simmons C	Keaney, Ryan	Suffolk U	Pan, Angela	U Mass Boston	Wang, Lisa	Northeastern U
Demosthene, Priscille	Hampton U	Keenan, Ellen	Boston C	Papagiorgakis, Dean	U Mass Amherst	Wang, Sophia	Brown U
Di Pietro, Christina	U Mass Amherst	Kennedy, Elizabeth	George Washington U	Paquette, Elodie	Boston U	Wang, Yaxi	U Chicago
Do, Jeannie	Boston U	Kiritsy, Caroline	Duke U	Paradela, Gerome	Boston C	Wasner, Christian	C Wooster
Dorgan, Alexandria	Skidmore C	Koulogeorgiou, Evangelos	Boston U	Parker, Nicholas	Columbia U	Waters, Ashley	Boston U
Dougherty, Connor	U Mass Lowell	Kwan, Justin	U Mass Boston	Pereira, Nirvana	Bridgewater State	Wean, Emily	MIT
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DuBois, Anne	Boston U	LaMattina, Liana	Boston U	Peter, Deanna	Pace U	White, Rebecca	Boston U
Duka, Stenli	U Mass Amherst	Lane, Kieran	Catholic U of America	Pham, Hang	Pitzer C	Williams, Alexandra	Georgetown U
Dunning, Beckett	U Mass Amherst	Lanney, Angela	Roger Williams U	Pham, Thuy	Boston U	Williams, Marina	U Mass Dartmouth
Durkin, Chelsea	George Washington U	Le, Cindy	U Mass Amherst	Pham, Tony Linh	Boston U	Williams, Matthew	Harvard C
Ehrlich, Leanna	Harvard C	Le, Uyen	Wellesley C	Phan, Rose	U Mass Lowell	Winkfield, Ashley	U North Carolina
Elkin, Matthew	U of Wisconsin Madison	Leard, Erika	Manhattan C	Pijanowski, Olivia	U Mass Amherst	Wolsfelt, Hanna	Bentley U
Elvin, Siobhan	U Mass Amherst	Lee, Athena	Scripps C	Poff-Webster, William	Harvard C	Wong, Justina	Tufts U
Epiter-Smith, William	Bridgewater State C	Lee, Chanel	Regis C	Prince, Samantha	Boston C	Woo, Seung Youn	MCPHS
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Fisher, Kathryn	U Mass Amherst	Liang, Richard	Boston U	Reddick, Eliza	Boston U	Yessayan, Raffi	U Mass Amherst
Forina, Marybeth	Bridgewater State C	Lin, Ada	Harvard C	Reid, Tamika	RPratt Institute	Yu, Amanda	Boston U
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Fox, John	U Mass Amherst	Liu, Candace	Clarkson U	Renda, Haley	Tulane U	Yu, Xin	Boston U
Frappaoalo, Anna	Harvard C	Liu, Tina	Babson C	Riley, Megan	Boston C	Yuan, Marry	Boston U
Freeman, Auren	Pace U	Lizardo, Ronnie	Suffolk U	Rios, Alexander	Suffolk U	Zeng!, Faith	Savannah C of Art and Design
Friedman, Garrett	Tufts U	Lok, Michele	Boston U	Robinson, Rachael	U Mass Boston	Zhang, Muhan	Boston C
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Fun, Tony	Boston U	Louizor, Gregory	Framingham State C	Rohlfing, Patrick	Lasell C	Zong, Cheng	U Mass Amherst
Gale, Hannah	U Mass Amherst	Lowney, Meghan	Pace U	Ross, Tatum	U Toronto	Zwirner, Louisa	U Tampa
Gallagher, Audrey	Salve Regina U	Lozada, Jennifer	Boston U	Ruan, Qiu	Tufts U		
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# SENIOR SPOTLIGHTS

## Alexandra Williams



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At first glance, you may think that Alexandra Williams is the quiet, introverted type—the type that doesn’t talk too much but is still a sweet and generous individual. But once you get to KNOW Alex, you learn that she is WAY MORE than the quiet “girl next door”. Alexandra Williams is not only an academic achiever, but is really a huge social butterfly waiting to spread her wings; she always loves to make a new friend. Alex is also good at many things, many of which you would never know about because of her highly modest attitude. One thing she is widely known for is her successful track record. Being a member of Boston Latin School’s Track and Field team for 5 years, Alex has contributed to the numerous records that have been broken and medals that have been earned. Being part of a 4-person relay team, Alex’s latest accomplishment came in the McIntyre Relay, where her team established a new state record

with a time of 1:43:17. Not only is she one of the top members of the varsity team, she is also known as part of one of the top squads at the State, Division 1, and All-State meets. Shockingly, she is still able to maintain an avid social life and successfully excels in her all of her schoolwork. With all of Alex’s spectacular undertakings, I can never fathom how her head doesn’t swell to the size of a watermelon. Regardless of whatever task she completes, she does not boast. Alexandra is never condescending towards her peers or friends even with all the approbation cards in the world, the medals awarded by the National Latin Exams and the status of being one of select people invited and initiated into the National Honors Society. I can truthfully say with Alex being one of my closest friends, she is a pleasure to be around at anytime. She knows how to pour out fantastic wisdom, can brighten up anyone’s day on

this or her dimmest moments and has a laugh that fills up the whole room with happiness. She can make your 67% on a math test feel like you got a 100% with extra credit. She always encourages her friends to push themselves and be better than best. Alexandra Williams is all that you could ask for in a friend and more. Something that makes Alex even more exquisite is that the simplest things in life are what please her the most. Whether it is getting an iced coffee from a friend in the morning or being invited to Fugakyu for a good meal, you will surely find Alex with a smile because you showed that you cared. Even though she will never admit it, she is the greatest person ever; I know that she will be more than successful in all her endeavors including her venture to Georgetown University in the fall. I feel like life should have more Alexandra Williams’; life would not only be more profound, but much simpler.

## Ellen Keenan



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I met the legendary Ellen Keenan in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade, although she admitted that she used to read my Xanga in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade before I even knew who she was. All creepiness and stalker-like tendencies aside, over the years I’ve come to find that Ellen is a hard-working student, an incredible athlete, and most importantly, an amazing friend. She has definitely made her mark on Boston Latin School, and I predict that the school will crumble to the ground once this “silent killer” makes her final exit.

Some might know Ellen simply as the quiet, smart girl with a rocking body and a killer side-bun, but for those who have been privileged enough to see all aspects of her personality, we know that Ellen is truly special. Daughter of Bernard and Maureen Keenan, Ellen was raised on the mean streets of West Roxbury, where she developed her “take no prisoners” attitude as well as her guns, due mostly

to her participation in the YMCA’s Gator Swim Team. These attributes are still evident today. Throughout the school year, Ellen juggles many extracurricular activities, including the BLS Swim Team (which she was captain of this past season), the infamous BLS Crew Team, and Concert Choir. It must be noted that this past fall, Ellen was nominated for “Best Body” in the prestigious Senior Superlative competition. It was a close race, but unfortunately and surprisingly, Ellen did not come out as victor. That being said, I think we can all agree that with or without the official title, Ellen’s athleticism has truly paid off. She has also been a member of the National Honor Society since junior year, which proves that this girl is a force to be reckoned with, a triple threat if you will—an athlete, genius, and goddess. During the summer, Ellen is a hero to the West Roxbury community, as arguably the only capable lifeguard at

the West Roxbury High School pool. Her cat-like reflexes are helpful both on and off the water, for she has been known to jump out of moving vehicles after a long hard day at work.

Next year, Ellen Keenan will be attending Boston College, where she will be a part of the Honors Program. I know that whatever Ellen pursues as a major or a career, she will do it with 100% effort because that’s the way she does everything. Ellen’s drive and ambition are truly unmatched, and I’ve seen her push herself to the limit at both school and crew practice in a way most people are incapable of. Some, if not all, of my favorite memories from my time here at BLS involve Ellen; she is hilarious, kind, compassionate, and I don’t know where I’d be without her. BC is lucky to have her, and all of us involved in her life are lucky to know her. I love her to death and see nothing but happiness and success in her future.

## Justyne Collier



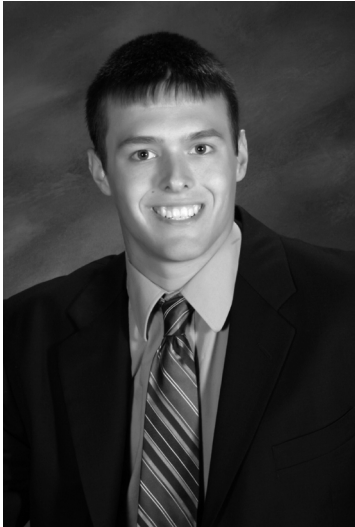
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You can hear her in any BLS hallway. She reps Charlestown and drops her R’s like nobody’s business. She is beautiful, blonde, and crazy. Her name is Justyne Evelyn Collier. I have known Justyne for almost six years now, but it feels like a lifetime. We met Sixie year by random chance and have been inseparable ever since. There is never a dull moment with this girl. From our best moments to the more sloppy occasions, she is never without a smile on her bright face. She is the triple threat and a complete heartthrob, but don’t be afraid to go up and say hi because she is extremely outgoing and the friendliest girl you will probably ever meet. All her years at BLS, she has been an extremely successful athlete and student. She racks up the approbation-worthy grades while still keeping her composure on the BLS volleyball team. In the outside position, anyone would be afraid of her 90

mph serves or her beast attitude towards an opponent during a set. As a senior, she was a huge component of the team as she helped propel them to the State Tournament. But besides volleyball, you can find her on the lacrosse field, hitting up the softball turf, or walking down Main Street with her family. On a side note, her “famsquad” is just as amazing as she is. A day at her house is unlike anything you will ever experience. Even if there isn’t any extreme betting on a sports event going on, you can expect to see approximately thirty different people walking in and out of her front door. Their huge presence, Irish pride, and constant parties have made her into the wonderful person she is today. This year, many of you have probably heard of the dark side of Justyne. She tends to crave any dark chocolate if you know what I mean. However, that doesn’t mean she won’t go for the white

chocolate or caramel slice either. I guess it’s also no big deal that she’s been known to hate the whale species, because her vegetarian ways make up for her fear of whales and well, it almost makes up for her love for Eli Manning. That’s right, FEAR OF WHALES and LOVE FOR ELI MANNING. But, like I said, no big deal... In the upcoming months, you can expect to see Justyne making her final college decision. Whether she heads up North or down South, any college would be lucky to have this intelligent and beautiful girl to grace their presence. And no matter what, I know that where ever we both end up, nothing can break our friendship. So next time you hear that Boston accent echoing through the hallways, take a second look for Justyne and make sure you never forget her because she is definitely looking towards a bright and successful future.

## Justin Evangelista



By **DEIRDRE GALLAGHER, I**  
STAFF WRITER

Born and raised in the 02128, also known as East Boston, captain Justin Evangelista learned how to skate before he could walk. From mites to midgets, and from Chicago to Austria, this 6’ 3”, 200 pound stud of a guy is feared by all the moment he steps on the ice. Playing on a variety of teams from team USA, team Massachusetts, The Eastern Mass Senators, East Boston, just to name a few, Justin is faced with some of the world’s toughest players, but nothing scares this 3 time MVP, 3 time DCL All-Star brick wall who leaves nothing but a spray of ice in his tracks.

This time of the year, however, you might be lucky enough to catch a glimpse of him at Moakley Field in Southie where he focuses on his ever evident natural athletic ability once again as the four year starting catcher for the varsity baseball team. His Paul Bunyon-esque swing instills a fear in

the opponent’s fielders as they all back up the second he steps up to bat. His presence behind the plate ensures that not one base will be stolen, and he will stop anyone who questions this.

Named Boston Latin’s 2010 male Athlete of the Year, it could be assumed that he occasionally takes a day off just to rest, but not this guy. The only time he fits some down time in is often during a morning nap with Jesse O’Neil (I) on park drive. Other times, Justin takes some time to meditate while bumping to his epic sub in the world’s only skin-colored car, more commonly known as “George”. Though George has come to have a reputation of his own, from certain chrome pieces(may they rest in peace) to the unusual amount of kids and sports equipment he can fit into the 1996 Explorer, Justin’s reputation far surpasses that of the legacy of George. On the rare

occasion that he has a day off, the Boston Red Sox are graced with Mr. Evangelista’s presence when he shows off his incredible arm while tossing around Cracker Jacks in his ever-stylin’ yellow Aramark t-shirt. Justin Evangelista is just absolutely all around the best of the best at everything he does.

Both friends and family, and occasionally some teachers, can vouch for Justin’s amazing personality. His charming sense of humor, his genuine heart, and his ability to hip check people into lockers with a smile on his face has won him a place in many a person’s heart. His 3.0 GPA has landed him a spot at Northeastern University where he will begin the long road to becoming a forensic scientist. Though his size 12 shoes will certainly be a huge pair to be filled, we all look forward to seeing Justin bring his big bad self to NU where he will continue his legacy.



Anna Frappaolo



By TORI COYNE, I  
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At age seven, wearing a green rain-coat, Anna informed me that I couldn't get married until I was 13. "It's a law; I read it in the dictionary." Anna was always the smart one. For the past 12 years, we have shared many fond memories, and we have developed a similar interest in the arts. If you ask any of our friends, Anna has always been the life of the party; she can outdance Beyonce in her sleep and out diva Rachel Berry any day.

Anna may be known now for her involvement in Theatre or the Show Choir, but her true artistic flair blossomed in elementary school. I can remember sitting on the edge of my seat during the second grade talent show as Anna wowed the audience with her Animal Dance. She appeared flawless, thanks to the dedicated work of her choreographer, Carl Frappaolo. I knew right then and there that Anna was destined to be a star. If I had any hope of

achieving the celebrity status I desired, I had to be like Anna. It was not easy, however, replicating such natural talent.

Off the stage, Anna tore up the social scene. She was the founder of an elite group, the Monkey Girls. Membership was granted only to the few who could pass the test. Sad to say, I was not one of them. No matter how much I pined after a spot at their monkey bars, I was never good enough. Eventually, however, Anna forgave my lack of monkey spirit, and decided to be my friend anyway. Of course, she could never address me in public, but it was the price I had to pay to be a member of her entourage.

Anna's spotlight traveled with her into the sixth grade, where she starred in the *Christmas and Spring Musical*. Her voice is like that of an angel. I have no doubt that some day she too will grow from YouTube stardom to full out Top 40 success. Have

you heard Anna sing? If not, just ask! I'm sure she will be more than willing to drop a few bars for you.

But if musicals are not your thing, Anna can also be seen in various BLS off Broadway productions, such as her performance in the award winning Fall 2009 play, *The Importance of Being Earnest*. As her director for this production, I can say first hand that it was a pleasure being able to work with such a gifted actress: no direction was needed when it came to Anna. I had the luxury of learning from her.

After all these years, I would like to say we have grown together, but in reality, we still act like two rowdy six-year-olds. I occasionally poke fun at her, but it's only to hide my immense jealousy. Anna has it all: brains, beauty and brawn. She is one of a kind; a true gem. Consider this the first installment of many gossip articles to come. Today: The Argo; tomorrow: Perez.

Helen Henderson



By GABRIELLA BETANCES, I  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

After a rough sixie year, I looked forward to starting over and finding some true friends. That is where Helen Henderson came in. We began talking in Mrs. Rawding's R5 math class, and I began to sit at her overcrowded lunch table. All I knew was that Helen was a really cool person. She was also "long, tall and beautiful," as I often (though somewhat redundantly) love to call her. When Helen went on BLSTV wearing a caterpillar suit to promote the Boston Latin School rendition of "Alice in Wonderland," I knew she was a keeper.

Alright, so maybe that isn't quite true: only in retrospect do I realize that the advertisement in the caterpillar suit was a sign of Helen's awesome personality. We must have seen something in each other because we were able to remain friends after eighth grade, despite the fact that we had no classes together. I don't even know how we managed to spend time together considering her busy schedule: not only

did Helen do track, but it was also during that year that her love and talent for acting developed. Since then, she has participated in at least one show every year; some of my favorites include *Tilt Angel* (2008) and *The Importance of Being Earnest* (2010). One of the more remarkable aspects of watching her perform is that the poise which always emanates from her personally is also transmitted to her characters. Do not misinterpret this to mean that she can only play the roles of composed, motherly characters because that's a grave mistake: Helen can become anyone with amazing facility. I look forward to seeing her grow as an actress when I fly to Scotland for her performances during her next four years at the University of St. Andrews.

Aside from talented, Helen is sweet, funny, down-to-earth, elegant, intelligent, thoughtful and charming, and I love her dearly. I'll always remember our glamorous trip with Elizabeth Vandrope to Springfield,

Vermont for the *Simpsons Movie* premiere in 2007. I reminisce about failing at chopsticks (sort of) during the Fugakyu tradition begun sophomore year and getting lost in the North End trying to find a restaurant with Jinzhao Wang. I recollect talking all night in the hotel during our college road trip junior year until her parents called to tell us to go to sleep. I remember watching *Confessions of a Shopaholic* in theaters with her; knowing how much I enjoyed it, she bought it for my birthday. I remember living and breathing Spain with the best roommate ever. I recall learning how much of a film connoisseur she truly is and wishing I could experience all of her recommendations with her. I cherish my many moments with Helen Henderson. This is why included in my senior personal/life survey is "Things I'm Glad I Did: Meet Ms. 'Long, Tall and Beautiful' and keep her close to my heart." I am blessed to say that despite what the future holds, that's exactly where she is staying.

Kyle Luke

Congratulations on  
your accomplishment  
of graduating from  
Boston Latin School.

You should be  
extremely proud of  
yourself because we  
sure are.

Love,  
Mom and Dad

CONGRATS LITTLE  
ONE, YOU MADE  
IT. WE ARE ALL SO  
PROUD OF YOU!

From Mom, Darah,  
grammar. Love u.

ARGO  
LAYOUT IS  
THE BEST!!!



SENIOR SURVEY

Class of 2010 Senior Survey

Best Memory

“How do I get across the lake?” “I’ll throw you out the window and hang you by this string” –Izzo 1/1/2010 to 5/28/2010 10 <sup>th</sup> grade English class with Ms. Figueroa 10 <sup>th</sup> grade lunch table with Emily, Katie, Alyssa, Sammy, Kyle and Ryry 1 <sup>st</sup> day of Italian in 10 <sup>th</sup> grade 2:15 2010 Asian Night & Aruba 215 4/24/09 40 ounce Fridays 9 <sup>th</sup> grade homeroom A lot of things. It’s all good All six years All the dreams I had sleeping in French Class All the fun times with my friends i.e. random night drives All the nights I don’t remember All those times just chilling with friends Anything and everything basketball junior year (especially Kay, Katie, Quinnie&Laura AP Art! AP Chem with Balicki AP writing with O’malley Approbation with Disgrace-tion April 29 <sup>th</sup> , 2010 - Heart-beat April vacation 2008 Art class 2008-2010 [Kwon, Tammy, Phi, Adam + Marina <3] Art Class! Vistalo, Jakara, Tamika, Adam, Kwon, Phi, Marina Art Class, Chinese Class and HTC meetings Aruba Asian Night 2010 Asian Night 2010- the show, dinner, and after party Baha Baha ‘09 Baha ‘10 duuuuuudeeee Baha ‘10, Baltimore Boston Baha ‘10, dude Baha Baltimore Boston Baha, Baltimore, Boston ‘10 Baha/ don’t remember MTL Bahamas Bahamas Bahamas Bahamas 2010 Bahamas, Nationals for Cheerleading Ballroom dancing with David Ma; Gaby Tues-days w/ William; friends Ballroom dancing with Ms. Davis!!! Band BBQ’s with you BC Calc ‘10 BC Calc ‘10 BC calc, praefecting, and sleepovers Beach trips Beating Stoneham Beating Stoneham 20’19 in football Beating Stoneham and Tyngsboro Being able to meet my love in the halls Being friends with Uyen Le Being held at gunpoint by Westie popo Being in the musical “A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum” Being with my lifetime friends from BLS Beowulf w/ the guys Blink 182 Blink 182 with the NBA getting lost til 4 am BLS boys Volleyball Boom shelter Bowling in Norwood on the last day of 10 <sup>th</sup> grade senior year Breaking a church window sixie year playing baseball Bulldogs Lacrosse Cancun 2010 w/J-Snooks and t-bear! Centeio pretending to be a spy and spraying Christine with windex Cheer ‘09 Choking on gum with Monique! Christmas break of senior year Cinci Class with Izzo Computer Science Class Costa Rica DC DC DC field trip DC Trip DDR at the Fenway Deanna, Joyce, and Carol Ma having a crush on me sixie year + being a flapper girl with Meisha for Halloween Dr. Neary Dr. Neary’s class Dr. Neary’s impression of Hitler Dr. Neary’s medieval rap Dr. Neary’s world 2 class Dressing up as a flapper with Chin => for Hal-loween ‘09 Dynamic Pants Dynamic Pants Eastern Europe Eastern Europe Eastern Europe Eastern Europe Eastern Europe Eastern Europe Eastern Europe ‘09 Eastern Europe ‘10, Costa Rica ‘07 Eastern Europe 09 Eastern Europe 2009 Eastern Europe 2010 Eastern Europe trip EE ‘09 EE ‘09 Elnaz Teymouri...while she lasted English Class with Ms. McCourt Every moment at the arbs...with Candy Everything Everything about Greek class Faith & library moments with Mr. Watson Faith Zeng! Falling in love Farting all the time Figgy’s class everyday Figgy’s class senior year RS Finishing college applica-tions Flaha ‘10- love you Aly, Mia and Juju Florida 2010 France ‘08 France ‘08 Free weed Fridays Free-write in Mr. Mulh-ern’s 9 <sup>th</sup> grade English class Get that rig stuff out of here Getting a song stuck in lydia’s head every morning Getting hit on by an inter-national supermodel at Boloco Getting into college Getting into my top choice college on my birthday! GHC Da Empire 2010 Girl talk, ski trip 2010, Kupe!’s bagels Glennon’s Party Going to an AP Euro class instead of lunch then acing a Neary quiz under the pen name “Voltaire” Going to school functions while high Going to see Ratatouille and then the galleria with V6 Graduating Great times with friends Greek 1 Haha that’s funny Hanging out at MassArt cafeteria Helen Lee’s graceful and slow fall to the floor in front of the statue near the library Hockey Tournament Games Hockey, volleyball, dblock adventures, graffiti day Homeroom 235 Homeroom in 10 <sup>th</sup> grade HR with AL, RM, CL, TL & Golden Boy Hypnotist Show Jacques the French Peas-ant Jojo Clifford + Ian Haines Joyce, Tamika and I meet an Asian man in an alley Jumping into the trash can Freshman Year June 2009 <3 Junior prom Junior year lunch time— Qiu licking highlighter Just chillin’ at the end of senior year Knocking on Dante’s door at 2 a.m. with SMC Ladies nights 2010 Last Music Night Laughing Laughing uncontrollably Leaving Lena Wang and Fosizzy Library Llamas Locker room hangouts Magrass asking Tonia out right next to my locker Math Awards Night Mcguigan’s class / 7 <sup>th</sup> grade / Dr. Neary imitating Hitler Meeting Cece Meeting Justina Wong Meeting new people Meeting tweedledee and all my other friends Most of senior year Mr. AB’s math class Mr. Bilodeau Mr. Urineck Mr. Watson Ms. Bateman putting a turtle in a condom Ms. Freeman’s trips Ms. O’Malley’s nature walks Ms. Polvere Muffins and urine for breakfast every morning My 18 <sup>th</sup> birthday party! JJJIR<3 My friends My great friends Narnia, Heights & Galley Narnia, The heights and the gallery Nationals Never going to a full week of class and meeting Justina Wong New Year’s Eve 2009-2010 New Years 2010 New Years Eve Nights D.C. with my “K-street” girls Not school November 12, 2007 Our all day videogame party in the library Our discussions in Greek class Partying with my friends Passing Math Passing Senior Year reach-back Precalculus Physics “ATM” motor Picnics, shopping trips and afternoon naps Playing hide and seek in the basement on Final Friday Playing hide&seek in the basement, pillow talks in DC Playing Sporcle in the library Playing Yugioh, Chinese class, and many more games in the dining hall before school Puking on Kevin Mc-donough, when coach Roberts left Purple Rain Rapping Weezy lyrics with the bestie in 10 <sup>th</sup> grade Robby’s house with my girlies Ronnie Lizardo Rubel Magic! Running and singing through the halls Running from the Rent-a-cops @ MIT with Colin Sailing team in tenth grade Sand fight Scavenger ‘08 Science fair Seeing Ms. Craven get hit in the head by a football Senior spotlight/last day Senior trip in Aruba Senior trip to Aruba Senior week, college ac-ceptance Senior Year Shap bashes Shortening my own school weeks Sitting next to Mr. Ryan on the bus in the morn-ing Sixie field day volunteering Ski trip 2010 Skipping School Soccer season ‘09, singing party in the USA on the bus Soccer, wrestling Spring Break Staying up until the wee hours of the morning working on art pieces Stoneham Stoneham game Stoneham game Summer ‘09 Super Losers and We Hate the World Party Super losers and we hate the world party Surviving Swinecation TBD Teriyaki dipping Matt Cronin and Alex Nguyen That one time at band camp... The Alamo The Cliff The day Sean Deary Snuck into Mr. Smiths Latin class poked Mike Shaff in the butt The Lunch Table The Lunch Table 2010 The softball team, Goobs! Westie, and Max Those trips to BSC Those wonderful art table times 2010 <3 Tilt Angel ‘08 Too many <3 Too many to count, ayy Trip to Spain 2009/ Swine flu vacation Turning in textbooks Turpin giving our class a tour of the building be-cause the room smelled so bad Viking chess vs. Averil) & Facing DC Trip 2010 Washington D.C. Trip Watching Lauren eat crushed red peppers plus the improv shows Watching movies in Leanna’s garage Way too many... Life is good Weeks 1-40 Wheelchair races on the roof of children’s hos-pital garage to smarck giant voles of weed Wheelchair races on top of the Childrens’ Hospi-tal Garage When Connor did Danny When Greg danced in his long-johns When I asked Mr. Redd how to pronounce comfortable When I dated both the Carr twins Winter Classic Party Wolfettes Working at Flynn’s office Young man, please remove your hat
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Congratulations  
Andrew

We Are Very  
Proud of Your  
Hard Work and  
Accomplishments

Love,  
Mom, Dad, Joe,  
Pat '12 and Nana

“...time won’t take the  
boy out of this man...”  
(U2)



Congratulations Steven!  
“This is your time! Now go out  
there and take it!”  
With eternal love from Dad, Mom  
and Michelle



!Faith Zeng! “where are we going? ... To a dark corner.” 10th grade 10th grade English 10th grade History 10th grade homeroom 10th grade lunch, oh my god. 10th grade Ms. Cousens’ office 10th grade physics 11th grade math class 2/7 217 3/16/10 6.5 hour bus ride from Lublin to Krakow 6/14/08 8th grade 8th grade 8th grade in general 8th grade in general 8th grade in school holi- day concert A certain couple’s 8th grade PDA A girl saying I was cute without the e actually being tardy once After Baha All of 9th grade All of them All the time wasted on useless work All the times I was awake in French class All years but senior Almost failing Latin and History Any time that I’ve cried in school AP Calc AP Chem w/ Balicki AP chemistry AP French: Arena of Doom April 1st 2009 Bald Naked Baby Basement style 2/6/2010 Being called a retard Being escorted out of the library by Mr. Watson	Being lost without John Le Berlin wake-up call/Ms. Stuppard’s US History class Bitches BLS Breaking up after school Censured Chat with Mr. Flynn Chem class College applications College Decision Day Coming to school after ’09 prom Coming to school after junior prom Concert choir senior year with Mr. Snyder =( Consuming 151 in BAH Crew Crying during declama- tion Cute as a box of kittens Cutting my hair during a bout of psychosis. . . no I have a Mohawk. Declaiming Detained Doing a certain declama- tion piece during sixie year Room 211. ARGH. Room 220 Room 210 and Latin 4 Room 132 dramaaa Dropping my textbook from the 3rd floor Eating crushed red pep- pers after the Improv Show Eighth Grade Eighth grade gymclass Electronic classroom Electronic classroom for three hours Endless Sixteens with she-who-must-not-be- named English 12 in 214 English in 217 Every day of 8th grade	Every history class after 8th grade every report card day Every single minute of French class Everything about room 330 Failing Spanish Fainting Fainting Fainting in Physics class Fall 2009/ everyday in 217 Falling down the front staircase Falling like everywhere Falling off a cliff in the Arbs, 1 yr anniversary tonight! Feeling absolutely terri- fied the first day of 9th grade Fight with girls I didn’t need in my life Finding out who 8th grade girl is. Flynn’s office Room 307 The DC Trip French French class GBS in 8th grade Getting accepted to Latin School Getting called into Flynn’s Getting caught cheating with a useless cheat- sheet Getting caught skip- ping because someone turned around Getting caught skipping Figuroa Getting chased by the Anatolian Shepherd Getting cut by Miss America in 10th grade Getting dumped by Elton John Getting layed out in LAX against BBNN Getting locked inside the bathroom	Getting mono in 10th grade Getting my first C ever in 7th grade Getting slapped sixie year Getting sold out to the cops by Katie’s dad Ghost chili in physics Gillian ruing the end of my senior year Girl talk, 10th grade English class in 217 Going out with an under- classman Going to school during the winter Going to summer school... 4 times Gym class Gym class Having a worse winning percentage than the football team Math in 336 Math in 236, getting rejected from schools Holy Name dances 8th grade IDK In 10th grade when everyone thought I was gay JG, VP, AW 217 217 Senior year Junior Prom Just being here for six years nth’s probation, summer ’09 Last 2 weeks of July 2009 Last night in D.C. Latin Learning that my dog died outside the main office Like Connor did Danny Losing some best friends Room 302 Mad drama March 7th, 2009 Chemistry in 324	Fivesie english MEAN PEOPLE Meeting Ann Situ too late Meeting Ms. Montez Middle of ninth grade Missing country fest to bail someone out Molested on whale watch Mophead Stats in room 236 freshmen year See-through pants in room 302 Room 302 Mr. Pitts falling in the hallway conduct grades in room 218 math class in room 304- worst moments of my life Room 018 in 9th grade Room 018 advanced algebra honors class Room 018 algebra class Room 204 217 English Class in Room 217 French class in room 136 The three school witches English class 11th grade in 204 217 Geometry Honors Class in 336 English teacher making me cry in 8th grade Latin class in Room 103 Rooms 208, 228, 2 cen- sures, 18 detentions, Room 236, Summer school 2x and tardy detention Ms. Walker’s Key Ques- tions My 15th birthday: every- one forgot My first F My first failing grade ever My parents telling me I could only afford 1	school Nah, nothing’s that bad Not being best friends with Katie Fisher Not meeting Justina Wong earlier Nothing (it wasn’t that bad) On March 26, 2010 R4 Patriots Giants Super- bowl Peeing my pants Period talks Physics two World History in Room 114 Pretty much all of His- tory Receiving bad news re- garding going to Prom. Reject homeroom sixie year Room 217 Running into the woods away from that cop SAT/AP exams School Seeing cheaters get fur- ther ahead than honest hard workers Latin prose honors Seevak Senior elections in the art wing Senior Research Paper Sitting in class with people I didn’t like Sitting in Flynn’s office Sitting next to Big Steve right now :) Sixie reading Comp. Class Sixie social Ski Trip Ski trip Ski trip Ski trip Ski Trip Ski Trip 2010 Ski Trip 2010 Ski trip bag search Ski trip- fearless 15 always	Ski trip getting can- celled... Smelling you Sneezing in Haritos’ class first day of school sixie year Sneezing incorrectly in Haritos’ class Spring of 8th grade Stalked @ Canobie Lake Standing in front of the class and the teacher telling me I would fail and never graduate Statistics in 236 Statistics in 236 Staying up until 5 am for D4 Stomachache during the chem final Swallowing a lip as Flynn walked in the bathroom Taking finals senior year That knife in my back The end of swinecation The same girl servicing 2 of my boyfriends Throwing up the entire 9 hour train ride back from DC Voldemort Warren T-bone steak bone knowing Watching a certain some- one become a toy Watching the Celtics parade on TV Wendy’s When I didn’t actu- ally date both the Carr twins When Mr. Akeson made me cry in 8th grade When my boy almost got expelled When people take my rolly chair in enviro class When the Pats lost the superbowl William Tang making me cry Youthcan
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# Congratulations Anna – BLS 2010



Our soaring Boston  
College Eagle!

We’re so Proud of  
you!

*Love: Emily, Mom,  
and Dad*



# SENIOR SURVEY

## Things I Wish I Had Done

A sport	Discovered pushpops before the last week of school	Had Mr. Sullivan as a teacher	Not take BLS seriously	Taken art class, but there was no room!
An epic senior prank	TONIA	Had sex in school	Not taken Spanish 5	Taken Art History
AP Art	Dominated the world earlier	Eastern Europe trip (w/out taking FHAO)	Party more/take art	Taken Art Honors
Associate with people in school more	Done more stuff with people outside of school	Homework	Passed WHz w/Neary	Taken Computer Science
Attended more school activities/events	Elton John	Homework/any work	Patrick Finnegan	Taken Facing History and gone to Eastern Europe
Be more wild	Faith Zeng!	Humanities	Played a sport	Taken Facing or Art History
Become friends with people sooner	Fidelity future stage	Hung out with Latin kids on the weekends	Played in the quidditch game	Taken Greek
Become your friend	Filled everyone's lockers with cereal	Indoor track	Pooped in Mac's private bathroom	Taken more interesting classes
Been less shy	get more sleep	Jesse's sister ÖLOL JK	Prize reading, Public Declamation	Talked to more people before senior year
Been more active w/in BLS	Get more sleep	Join Fashion Talent	Said yes when Ben Colb asked me to prom	Tennis
Been more careful	Go to Eastern Europe	Joined more clubs/sports	Scream back at Maestro	The Gortzenatah
Been more outgoing	Go to the roof	Kissed more guys	Sit next to Aadhar in homeroom	Told Maia Collard I was in love with her
Been more outgoing	Gone clubbing in France Öoh wait.	Less work, had a better life social life	Skipped Classes	Told my crush I liked him
Been more outgoing!	Gone on one of trips to Europe	Let Qiu have Dan	Skipped school more	Told some people how much I hate them
Befriend more of my classmates	Gone to the arbs with the white people	Let the people I got to know this year, earlier	Skipped school to go to the beach	Tried harder
Better grades	Gone to the masquerade instead of what I did for real	Liberated Osage	Started sleeping before 9th grade	tried harder in the 9th and 10th grade
Blazed on the roof	Gone to the roof	Make time to be with people got to know more of the seniors	Studied freshman and sophomore year	Tried in 9th grade
Broken the rules	Gone to the roof	Met people sooner	Studied harder	Utilized the crawl space
Brought in my own lunch!	Gone up to the roof	Missed more days of school	Take AP Comp sci	Went to a different school
Came to school more often	Gone up to the roof at least once	Missed more days of school during the other five years	Take Facing History	Went to the beach
Come out of my shell earlier	Gone wild sooner	More BS with the boys	Taken a cold bath with a rhino naked	Wolfettes
Confronted someone who lied on the Common App	Gotten a senior card	More extracurriculars	Taken Akeson's class junior & senior year, instead of just senior year	Worked hard enough to go to Harvard
Continued taking chorus/joined more clubs	Gotten closer to people	My homework	Taken AP Art	Worked harder
Cut class	Gotten to know more people sooner	Not been broken	Taken AP Government	Yelled at Ms. Freeman
Dated someone in my own grade	Greek trip		Taken art	

## Things I Wish I Hadn't Done

"Date" Mike Smith	Come to BLS	duffle bag	Slack off freshmen/sophomore year	Taken Myth
"Failed" history every day	CREW	Let myself got pushed around and walked all over	Slacked off	Taken physics
"Forget" Regret	C-was	Listened to Chuck's propaganda	Smoked crack	Taken Physics I
Accumulated a \$1000 fee from lost books	Date that loser in eighth grade	locker room shots	Spanish 5	Taken physics
AP Bio & AP Chem	Drank the blood of mortals	Lose touch with old friends	Spanish 5 Honors	Taken stats
AP Calc	Dressed in all aeropostal in 7th grade	Lost everything	Spent all my money at boloco	Taken that shower in Baha
AP Economics	Drinking island tap water	Lost my vcard while unconscious	Statistics	Throw a paper place during Spanish class
AP stats and physics 2	Eaten dog food off the basement floor	Mad Blow	Stats	Thrown away 4 years
AP Stats/failed at communication	Failed spanish	Mess up during senior year	Summer school at Madison, too hood for me	Told you ./.-. ./.-./.-.-----.-
Asked questions in O'Malley's class	Faith Zeng!	Messed up relationships with certain people	Take AP statistics	Tp-ed CF's car
Avoided deadlines	Faked a doctor's appt. to get early dismissal	NHS	Take Chinese	Trip down the stairs
Be late all the time	Farted in Ms. Johnson's class	No regrets	Take French	Turned down Jager
Be Raffi's bus buddy	Freeman Fisher	No regrets.been his friend	Taken an Akeson class two years in a row	Use chopsticks around David Ma ñ he makes fun of me for it
Become treasurer	French	Not Elton John	Taken AP Biology	Washington DC
Been antisocial until senior year	French	Not taken Facing History	Taken AP European History/getting caught	waste my time letting you cry on my shoulder
Been broken	Get suspended	Nothing	Taken AP French	Wasted so much time
Been cut from Band	Got caught cheating then censured 9th grade	physics	Taken AP Music Theory	Witness Siobhan sleep in jeans and a bra
Been lazy freshmen year	Gotten grounded over swine vacation	Procrastinate. Everyday.	Taken AP Stats	Woken up late all those times
Been reserved	Gotten into a fight in the dining hall	Procrastinating every day since sixie year	Taken chemistry senior year	Won 10 straight ruit games after jr. prom
Been so last minute about everything	Had bad taste in men	Put off homework	Taken Chinese-I know Chinese	Worked so hard
Been so lazy	Hang out with the wrong crowd	Quit volleyball	Taken French	Worked so much the summer before senior year
Been so stubborn	Hardened	Read that one English book I read	Taken French	Worried so much and have an attitude
Been tardy	Have a stalker in 10th grade	Room above auditorium	Taken French, it ruined my life	Wrote notes to my crushes
Broken her heart	High school drama	Shoot Sanchay's elephant	Taken Greek	
Calculus	Hold Dan's hand	Sit on the school toilet seat when I was young!	Taken Greek-don't do it!	
Clawers have no regrets	Left the hat with my name on it in that		Taken Italian 5	
Come so late so often				



CONGRATULATIONS  
BRIGHID!  
WE ARE SO PROUD OF YOU!  
WE LOVE YOU!  
MUMMA, LA, PADRAIG AND  
MORGAN

Audrey

Silent mornings until we got to Beech.  
Chasing the 39 in that first week!!

So many letters I thought I would scream  
Poor Jenna Vrabel just thought I was mean!

Christina, Tonia, Olivia, Jill,  
Angela, Deirdre to just name a few

BLS Football, basketball and hockey  
In the stands for the Wolfpack, man were they lucky.

From all the free writes to Christina's observations  
Mr. Mulhern's classes will keep us laughing for ages

You and Tonia and the number 33  
I guess that shall remain a mystery to me!

Daily visits to see Mr. Montague  
Lord knows without him we could not make it through.

Izzo's and Gio's and all the rest.  
Six years of memories at BLS

There are those that thought we shared T.M.I.  
But the only ones that can judge are you and I.

Through the ups and downs we made it through  
Words cannot say how proud I am of you!

Love, Mama



# SENIOR SECTION

## Things I'm Glad I Did

Actually try senior year	Chilled at the vent everyday	day at the lunch table	Learned how to waltz	Nosal	Sing	Take humanities with Mulhern
AP Catullus/Ovid/work in the main office	Come to BLS	FoPo w/Britto & Humanities	Legatus in the library	Met Max, Roja, Shanaynay and Ella this year	Skip all the time	Take Italian
Applied ED	Come to BLS	Found out who my real friends were, and who were just there	Lived the way I wanted to	Ella this year	Smack Zach Tosi in his face	Take the 32 bus
Apply and go to California	Costa Rica with Bateman and Gauthier	to bring me down, and	M in the PC	music	Smoke Up	Taken Akeson's class
Asserting myself	Crew in 9th grade	Go on the roof	Make so many friends/gone to Eastern Europe	Network	Snap bash	Taken Enviro with Mr. Izzo
Ate Kangaroo and the ghost chili with Nick Carter	Decided to go to BU with the crew, haha	Gone on the roof before I graduated	Make a few great friends and not transfer	Not care	Softball	Taken foreign policy
Be part of CE	declamationtried up to the last day	ated Getting involved at school	Make a great college choice	Orchestra	Spain 2009	Taken Humanities w/ Mulhern
Became a bro	Eastern Europe	Go on the Spain trip and meet the Clique	Make friends with almost every-body/AP Writing with Auntie Nancy	Pancake story	Stated the Fugakyu tradition; Costa Rica; Spain	Taking Foundation Arts Class
Became part of the Team SAK	Eastern Europe	Go out of state	Make that bet with Turpin in 9th grade	Persisted and made it in as a Bisie	Stay in the library everyday	Talk to strangers
BLS Ceramics club	Eastern Europe	Go out with Jenny Hoac, marry Doughboy	Make the library my 2nd home and join the Recycling Committee	Play football	afterschool with 6 years w/ Mr. Watson <3	Teriyaki dipping the crap out of people
BLS hockey 2010	Eastern Europe	Go to JQ in May 2009	Marry Xin <3 , meet my math buddies <3	Play soccer	Step Squad	Told him how I felt @ junior prom
BLS Varsity tennis	EPIIC	Had fun	Met great people	Played basketball & tennis for BLS	Stop caring	Took Art History
Body boarding down the stairs. from the 3rd floor	Everyone	Had Gomez Twice	Met Jenn Tran and Katherine	Played counterstrike over the school network	Survived all my trainwreck parties	Took my bud out of my bag
Broke off bad relationships while building better ones	Experience different circles of friends	I burped smoke in a teacher's face. Oops.		Played piano at the alumni	Survived the last 6 years	Took up cello
Came as a B-sie, 6 years? Could-nít do it. YEAH RIGHT	Facing History	Jock		Pooped in school when I had diarrhea in Ms. Powell's class	Swizzle on the roof	Track (long distance) for two years
Cheat	Faith Zeng!	Jbombs at Bambu		Pooped in the Shaws parking lot	Take AP Euro	Use my hands
Cheated on the Ginger	FHAO	Join A.S.I.A.		Read a lot	Take Art	Volleyball!
cheerleading	Find a way into the bell tower on the roof	Join recycling		Rejected Matt Elkin	Take Enviro with Izzo	Went to Aruba
Cheerleading	Finished BLS	Junior prom		Research paper	Take Facing Junior year	Went to Glennon's party
	Flannel Friday and Tie-dye Tues-	Kissed you on June 17, 2009		Saving the world	Take Foundations! And Facing History	were too insecure to let me shine

## Things I'm Glad I Didn't Do

2010 ski trip	Coke	get caught by Montes while trying to go on the roof and she walked in	Go on the ski trip	LET PEOPLE STOP ME FROM LIVING	Ski Trip	Take 4 years of science
Any guys in our grade.	Come in as a sixie	she walked in	Go on the ski trip	FROM LIVING	Ski Trip	Take a bunch of APs
anything inappropriate in front of Ms. Moran	Conform	get caught doing all the things I've done	go on the ski trip	let senioritis get the best of me	Ski trip	Take AP economics
Anything stupid	Continue with math	get caught sleeping w/ eyes open	Go on the Ski trip	Lose my v-card	Ski trip	take AP Economics
Anything that would've gotten me in trouble	Continued to act like Crew/ Cheerleading	get expelled	Go on the ski trip	love BLS	Ski trip	take AP Stats
AP Econ	Crew/cheerleading	Get into Chuck's van	go on the ski trip	Make enemies	Ski trip	take AP English
AP Latin	Crystal meth	Get into facing	Go on the ski trip, become a vampire	make out with anyone in this school	Ski trip	Take Chemistry
AP Vergil	Cut tons of classes as an underclassman	Get into Harvard	Go to a dark corner	make out with anyone in this school	Ski trip	Take Econ and Stats J
Attempted going on the ski trip	Date anyone from BLS – thank the Lord!	Get into Harvard	Go to Cancun	Marry Tiger Woods	Ski trip	take Facing
Attempted ski trip	Die	Get involved in the drama	Go to class	never gave up	ski trip	Take French
Baha	Drink/smoke/miss curfew on a Freeman trip	get pregnant	go to prom with you	No regrets	Ski Trip	take French
Baha!	Drop out	Get pregnant	Go to prom, get senioritis	No regrets trick	Ski Trip	take Greek 2
Baha, vote for Tadesh	L-O-L	Get suspended	go to the Bahamas	Nothing	ski trip	Take Latin junior and senior year
BE A APART OF THAT SKI TRIP- HILARIOUS ALL OVER	Drugs	Get suspended	gone on that ski trip w/ drugs	Nothing! I have no regrets	Ski trip	Take Latin tradition
Be friends with Special	Eat school lunch	Get suspended for a week like everyone else	Hang out with westie kids	overreact	SKI TRIP	Take physics
Became a Westie	Eat that sausage...it looked good but...	Get wrecked and act a fool at the masquerade	Have an abortion	Party	ski trip	Take physics
Become a praefect because I would've never known Mr. Flynn	emergency stairway	Give up	Have sex in school	Aruba	Ski trip 2010	Take that e-pill
Become a vampire!	Facing History	given up	Have sex. Play with boys. Etc.	PDA in the hallway	Ski Trip 2010	Take too many AP classes
BLS football	fail	Go on a ski trip	Hide the alch in my bag	Pick Colby College because of money; drugs	Ski trip 2010	Taken A.P. Physics
Bring alcohol on a school field trip!	Fail	go on Izzo's ski trip	Homework	plan on going on the ski trip	Ski trip 2010	taken AP Modern Euro
Bring alcohol to a field trip	Fail a class	go on that ski trip!	Homework	Pot	Ski Trip!	Talk to Coach Mac
Bring alcohol to school	fail a class	Go on that ski trip	homework	Quit crew, it paid off!	Ski trip, stop talking to a good friend	that failure of a ski trip
Bring alcohol to school	fail any of my classes	Go on the ski trip	I did all of the things I would've been glad to not have done	See the Twilight films	slack off	the Ski trip
Bring stuff on the ski trip	Fail any of my classes	Go on the ski trip	Keep my 7th grade clothes...	Show emotions	Sleep with anyone at BLS	transfer to an arts high school
Cancun 2010	Faith Zeng!	Go on the ski trip	Keep the socks	Sign up for Ski Trip	smoke	Use the school bathrooms... ever
	Focus too much on grades	Go on the ski trip	Leave BLS	sign up for ski trip	Spanish 5 Honors	Went on the ski trip
	football	Go on the ski trip	leave BLS	Sign up for that ski trip	stay friends with big orange	went to class
		Go on the ski trip	Leave Latin in 10th grade	ski trip	Stay sober	Work
				Ski trip	Study for the SAT's	
					Summer reading	

Dear Rich,

Congratulations on your hard work... Keep up with your excellent work... Best wishes in your next stage of life's journey... Open roads open minds...

From your mother and father:  
Ting and Yi

I hope you never lose your sense of wonder  
You get your fill to eat  
But always keep that hunger  
May you never take one single breath for granted  
God forbid love ever leave you empty handed  
I hope you still feel small  
When you stand by the ocean  
Whenever one door closes, I hope one more opens  
Promise me you'll give faith a fighting chance  
And when you get the choice to sit it out or dance  
I hope you dance



*Alyssa Rosen*  
*Congratulations, we are very proud of you.*  
*Always know we are here for you.*  
*Ci sarà sempre il tuo amico.*  
*Noi ti amiamo. Be You.*  
*Mom & Dad*

CONGRATULATIONS!!!  
**MOLLY RYAN**



WE ARE VERY PROUD OF ALL  
YOU HAVE ACCOMPLISHED  
AT BOSTON LATIN SCHOOL!!

Love,  
Mom, Dad, Michael and Daniel!!!  
(And all your grandparents up in heaven!)



# SENIOR SURVEY

## Yeah It Was Me, I Confess To...

“dropping the smash”  
Actually liking BLS  
Aiding and harboring the lone dipper  
Almost getting caught going to the roof  
by Ms. Montes  
Backstabbing your mom  
BANANAS!  
banning scissors  
Being a butt-pincher  
Being a dork  
being a vampire  
Being apart of the problem  
Being Cheeky boo  
being diesel  
Being extremely loud everywhere  
Being hungry all the time  
being in love with Mr. Veiga  
Being in love with Ms. Ferrera  
Being jealous of John McKenna  
Being obsessed with Yugioh  
Being ridiculously awesome  
Being the baddest b\*\*\*\*  
Being the coolest EVA!  
Being the first one to write “I love Fran-  
nie Le” on the bathroom wall  
Being the last person to find out about  
those Latin translations (sixie year).  
Shame on y'all for cheating!  
Being the Lone Dipper  
Being the worst praefect EVER  
Being too cool  
being too fresh + giving the best mas-  
sages  
Being zooted  
Bombing Ms. Brun's room with stink  
bombs  
Breaking guys' hearts  
Breaking the law in Pennsylvania (“You  
must be 18 to play pool”)  
Breaking the PA 18+ pool law by playing  
with minors at Maggie Mae's  
Bringing bro to a whole new level  
BSing the coin toss for AP Bio  
Calling 911  
calling Aly Boyle “Scream” in 8th grade  
Causing the destruction of the sixie  
forum  
Cheat at Big Two  
Cheating  
Cheating in Latin  
Cheating on eye exams

clogging the toilets  
crapping in the hallway  
creaming Anthony Yee's mouthpiece  
Cropdusting the hallways  
Crying about everything  
crying on the last day  
cutting class to get donuts  
defenestrating myself  
Deleting your senior profiles  
Doing the dirty on every floor in this  
school  
Dookin' in that violin case  
drawing on Ronnie's pic in Ms. William's  
room in 10th grade  
Drawing on your face  
drinking at Berklee  
Drinking in Ms. Woods 5th period Bio  
Class  
drinking saltwater to fake sick to avoid  
going on any Art History trip.  
drinking spiked drinks in school  
Eating a cookie from the cookie jar... and  
not regretting it  
Eating a sour lime skittle that was  
crushed off the ground  
Enjoying time at BLS  
Enjoying writing the research paper  
Erasing Ms. Insanally's chalkboard  
everything  
Everything  
Faith Zeng!  
Flirting with Steven just to piss off his  
girlfriend  
Fooling you all into thinking I was nice  
just to get a superlative... just kidding  
forgetting to put Muhan's name in my  
time capsule  
Fun Nights in EE w/ mr. D's d in my a.  
gettin' it on in the Faculty bathroom  
getting it in the auditorium(inappropriate  
acts) . . . good times!  
getting Ricardo suspended  
Given Haley Renda mono sophomore  
year  
Giving someone else's name to avoid  
detention  
giving that becky :)  
going up on the roof  
Guerilla marker extraction in Stats –  
Janaya sooo clueless  
Harboring abhorrence of others

hating everyone  
hating latin  
Hating my best friend  
have hated being a nerd  
having a landing strip  
Having a sex change before BLS  
Having a sexual fetishand creep people  
out  
Having a woman-crush on Emma G.  
Having my heart melt every time I hear  
Jelyn sing  
Having nothing to confess  
Having one girl of every race except  
Inuit  
having sex w/Tiger Woods  
having swine flu  
Hehehe... petting Osage  
helping to break the age laws of Penn-  
sylvania  
HEY MR. AKESON!! I FLIPPED THE  
COIN...not :)  
Hoarding water bottles in my locker  
Hooking up with Jenna's boyfriend in  
8th grade  
I confess to being a vampire  
I didn't do anything  
if you don't know you never will  
intentionally avoiding eye contact with  
people at times  
intentionally avoiding eye contact with  
people at times  
Jumping rope with alligator wires in the  
physics lab  
Kicking a\*\* and taking names  
Leaving paper cranes everywhere  
leaving school early to have really good  
sex  
Leaving that stuffed animal in your  
locker 8th grade  
Letting the dogs out  
Licky licky..  
Liking Justina Wong and Deanna Peter  
Liking Ms. Insanally  
liking Nick Carter + Greg Hall  
Loving BLS  
Loving Chris Nguyen for eternity  
Loving Justina Wong  
Loving Tina Liu  
Making out in your classroom  
Making out on all the stairwells and  
balcony

making the pancake story  
Making up late excuses  
Messing with the computer in Stats and  
using the sticky keys  
Never going to class  
Never pulling an all-nighter  
Not flipping the penny 100 times  
Not reading a single book in AP Lit  
not recycling. Sometimes.  
not writing my senior research paper  
NOTHING  
Nothing  
Pancake flyer/story Glennon's locker  
PEEING BUT MISSING COM-  
PLETELY. . .  
peeing my pants on New Years 2010...  
twice  
Peeing my pants on New years in an alley  
because I was lost at midnight  
Peeing on the front door  
Peeing on the toilet seat  
Pinching your butt  
Playing Scrabble in the nude and spelling  
out dirty words  
Pooping in the hallway  
pregaming in the lockerroom  
Proposing to Jenny Hoac amd Doughboy  
puking on Kevin McDonough  
Putting a bird into David Macgrass's  
locker  
putting a dead bird in Dave Magrass'  
locker  
Putting gum under the seat  
Rawdogging  
Returning the blue stolen entrance sign  
Ringing Sam Ghanom's doorbell and  
talking to his parents  
Saying “no homo” during a presentation  
Secretly hating everyone  
Setting off the burglar alarm  
Setting off the fir alarm  
Sexting  
sexually harassing young children  
Shooting Sanchay's elephant  
Skipping class  
skipping class to hang out in art  
Skipping every class to visit Mr. Mon-  
tague  
Skipping math class to sleep in the stor-  
age room  
Sleeping in class

Sleeping in every class  
Smoking a blizz in Pagos' room  
Sniping  
Snitching on the ski kids...jk =P  
Snitching on the ski trip kids  
Spilling drinks in the library  
Stealing the chocolate cake  
stealing the lightbox =)  
stealing the little man from the Elvin  
household  
Taking away honors  
Taking Gibbon's doorstep  
Taking the cookie from the cookie jar  
taking your calculators, ipods and  
girlfriends  
talking about you behind your back  
Telling Ms. Bateman to check the  
seniors' bags  
Telling people how big McQuade's butt  
is  
Telling Rudolph the emergency staircase  
was a good idea  
the dip on the ceilings of the boys  
bathroom  
The eyes on the urinals  
the orange in the 3rd floor  
the pennies  
The tacks in the art wing  
This is anonymous right?  
thumbtacks in the art wing ceiling  
Trying to go up to the roof  
Unknowingly streaking down the hallway  
using cripples to walk in late and just  
tryna get so me. . .  
Using faculty bathrooms  
Using my quiet demeanor to get away  
with everything  
Wishing I had broken more rules  
wreaking of marijuana every day  
Writing “I like butt” on the bathroom  
wall  
writing “Matt Elkin takes it up the butt”  
on the bathroom wall  
writing 2010 on a bathroom wall  
writing my own name for “I had a secret  
crush on...”  
Writing on a bathroom wall  
Writing the note on FB about Mr. Luis.  
SUCKIT.  
Ya, they're FAKE!  
You can't handle the truth!

## Congratulations Ashley Waters

### Go and Follow Your Dreams

Whatever your mind can conceive and believe, it will achieve. Dream great dreams and make them come true. Do it now. You are unique. In all the history of the world there was never anyone else exactly like you, and in all the infinity to come there will never be another you. Never affirm self-limitations. What you believe yourself to be you are. To accomplish great things, you must not only act, but also dream, not only plan, but also believe. If you have build castles in the air, your work need not be lost; put foundations under them. Yes you can. Believing in magic. You can always better your best. You don't know what you can do until you try. Nothing will come of nothing. If you don't go out on a limb, you're never going to get the fruit. There is no failure except in no longer trying. Hazy goals produce hazy results. Clearly define your goals. Write them down, make a plan for achieving them, set a deadline, visualize the results and go after them. Just don't look back unless you want to go that way. Defeat may test you; it need not stop you. If at first you don't succeed, try another way. For every obstacle there is a solution. Nothing in the world can take the place of persistence. The greatest mistake is giving up. Wishing will not bring success, but planning, persistence, and a burning desire will. There is a gold mine within you from which you can extract all the necessary ingredients. Success is an attitude. Get your right. It is astonishing how short a time it takes for very wonderful things to happen. Now; show us the colors of your rainbow.

*by Barbara Smallwood & Steve Kilborn, 1981*



*We're very proud of you!*  
*Love Mom and Dad*



# SENIOR SURVEY

## Most Unfair Thing That Has Happened To Me

“Friends” hating me for making decisions of my own 2006 AFC Championship and 2007 Super Bowl in back-to-back years 217 A certain someone getting into math high honors when she wasn't even supposed to be in low Accused of being a bad friend actual assignments during Senior Week D: Akeson censuring me for going to the bathroom during lunch Akeson trying to get me censured this week because the water fountains didn't work so I tried all four bubblers on the 3rd floor Akeson's 62 pages of make up work Algebra 2 Algebra I... AGAIN! almost getting suspended by Craven for no reason Auds Gall and Simoneau Bateman saying I cheated...when I didn't Bateman taking my bags, yelling at me, finding nothing, but still thinking she's better than me Bathroom wall Being accused of being a vampire by Lisa Wang Being Accused of doing crew instead of sailing Being backstabbed Being called a heartbreaker by Yun-wei, Bryn, and Sanford Being called a JERK by SB Being forced to be a nerd Being fragile Being in a class with Christina Gregg Being left by Ms. O'Malley in an empty classroom and having a fire drill go off Being marked absent when I was in the room Being rejected from college Being stuck in 9th grade with no classes with my friends being stuck in an almost all junior class in senior year Being yelled at because I'm “black” Being yelled at for participating in class by a French teacher Berklee high school jazz festival suspension BLS BLS finally getting large/good soap/paper towel/toilet paper 5 days before I leave	Chemistry 1 with that new teacher Cut from baseball after two years on the team Cutting detentions for not doing homework...when I'd already finished Declamation in 8th grade with McGuigan Detention for skipping Mr. Baer's Stats class Dr. Mendez leaving ELA 11 with Gray everyone thinking I'm a huge b**** Ezana being taken away from me F in conduct in 8th grade Failing Dr. Foreman's final project 10th grade Failing Spanish Figgy being biased Finding out Alex Leavitt had a girlfriend Flynn, Akeson, Hairytoes Forced to sit with people I don't like in homeroom FOUR people stepped on me while wearing flipflops in under 5 seconds Fran Sheehan French French French department Garrett and Derek Getting 3 days' detention for sitting at Britto's desk Getting accused Getting accused of cheating by Fukushima because my translation was too good. Getting all the answers right but still having points subtracted for not using the teachers method (no heads up) Getting bad grades in math because teachers don't know their s*** Getting blamed for “physically injuring” Dan Whitelock Getting Britto the year he became a horrible teacher Getting called constantly for “skip-ping” school when my teachers got F's in attendance Getting caught by the cops when I wasn't even drinking Getting creeped on by Mr. Martin every day Getting detention for not having a hall pass Getting in trouble for laughing too much	Getting in trouble for not moving my seat because I was doing homework getting Johnson senior year Getting locked out of class before the bell rings and then getting detention for being late getting marked absent when I was there getting molested on whale watch Getting Mr. Hills for Latin sixie year Getting Mr. Turpin for World History Freshman Year Getting Mrs. Johnson, getting Mr. Baer for Statistics Getting Mrs.Johnson as a teacher Getting Ms. Hauck for 9th grade Spanish getting Ms. Markiewicz 2 yrs in a row getting no senior priorities getting penalized for work I missed on Jewish holidays... every year Getting rejected from the University of Westie (Billings Campus) Getting stuck with Johnson for regular English senior year getting suspended getting suspended by the Dictator Getting suspended, tardy detention Getting tardy detention after being one second late Getting transferred into Mr. Barry's English class instead of O'Malley's getting written up for being in school on Halloween Getting yelled as a sixie for running the hallway when I was only trying to get to class on time Gillian making me cry Going to BLS Got a misdemeanor for repeating a new vocab word in French class Got all A's on my assignments and still end up w/ B+ for all five terms in english got caught cheating Got marked absent four days I was here Got Ms. Markiewicz 2 years in a row Gotten Mr. Walker in 7th grade having a certain latin teacher 2 years in a row Having daily battles with my locker Having everyone projectile vomit-ing in my bathroom and having it smell terrible afterwards and cleaning it up Having false rumors spread around	me all of 8th grade Having Johnson for regular English in senior year Having Mr. Baer for Stats having Mr. Hills for sixie latin Having Mr. Luis for precalc Having Mr.Baer as a stats teacher Having Mrs. Johnson as a teacher Having Ms. Ledang, Ms. Insanally, Dr. Neary and Ms. Johnson and Mr. McQuade in the same year having Ms. Markiewicz for physics Having Ms. Pagos for Latin IV Having Ms. Tibetts as my guidance counselor Having someone's toilet flood when I was in the next stall having to be in a class with a certain someone Having to deal w/ “Jimmi Ko” Her telling the world about our drama Hooking up with Siobhan I got Johnson for English in sophomore year If you have a sub for 6 days naturally you should skip 6 days so don't give me 18 detentions and summer school even when I didn't I'm a ginger Insanally two years in a row It's not unfair. Everything is hitsuzen Italian 4 Honors with Debenidictis Jean braking my phone in half Johnson for AP Lit Johnson forgetting to grade my notebook and accusing me of turning it in late Johnson twice. FML Justina rejecting me and the whole texting incident about Tufts about KV Kimmi Vo LIKE SOMEONE WAY TOO MUCH FOR A WHOLE SCHOOL YEAR. . . NEVER AGAIN PLEASE Lois Kessin Losing at CSS Losing to Malik in Pokemon battles LOST all my FRIENDS 8th grade Ms. Craven making me throw out my lunch Maestro Making me leave this school marsh pic in the yearbook/marsh pic in general masspublics 2010 Meeting “Timmi Ngo”	meeting you Missing the homeroom bell by 10 seconds because a red light took 5 minutes and having the serve detention! Mr. Baer Mr. Baer Mr. Luis Mr. Turpin in 9th grade, then Ms. Powell in 10th grade Mrs. Gray's class Mrs. Insanally Mrs. Johnson Mrs. Johnson senior year Mrs. Johnson's regular 12th grade English class Ms Hauck and Mr Turpin giving me 5 detentions Ms. Bateman ruining the ski trip Ms. Brun 3 years in a row Ms. Chiu Ms. Figueroa constantly blaming me for things I didn't do Ms. Guzman giving me a D because she hadn't finished grading yet Ms. Guzman giving me a zero on a quiz in 8th grade for “talking” was thought to be cheating when I wasn't Ms. Holm Ms. Ledang Ms. Markiewicz, Mr. Luis, Mr. Turpin Ms. McGuigan Ms. Montes Ms. Sheehan for homeroom Ms. Tolbert Johnson my curfew My parents making me stay here My so-called best friend turning into a two-faced, backstabbing 12-year-old girl Never having a real English teacher New Years this year at the commons No cute Latin boys Not getting a chance to be friends with John McKenna not getting into connections while John Mirabela did not getting into NHS Not getting into NHS because Ms. Elliot doesn't round up not getting to go on ski trip Not getting to go on the Eastern Europe trip Not getting to keep my alcohol after sky trip not having Ms. Ferrera not having something to say for this	nothing I deserved everything I got Nothing!...Joking, to be realistic, I don't know which to pick noticing the unbottomed portions of Ms. Pagos' shirt PAGOS BY FAR Pre-calc with Luis Precalculus Prolly being kept back... or accused of being with child puking in public twice in one day Rejected from BC even though I'm smarter than the other kids seeing the alcoholic sky kids get off lightly! Set Me As a Seal Ski trip ski trip Ski trip bag checks Ski trip being cancelled Ski trip cancellation Snyder Stats, Latin senior year Stepping in human crap in the girls' bathroom in 9th grade Summer School Summer school 10th grade summer school...need I say more??? Suspended because some kid couldn't hold his liquor on a weekend Swine flu vacation '09 and not being able to race at states and NEIRAS Tadesh Tardy Detention Tardy Detention Tardy Detention Tardy Detentions Taylor Laffey's existence Tearing my foot and not being able to run Thanksgiving game That Fat Ogre cost me my boyfriend/getting Mrs. Johnson The Math department those awesome substance abuse classes Tom and Jerry Took the heat from the police thanks to Katie fisher's dad because the girls were up to no good When I was kept off aprobation with distinction because or a B in conduct when Mr. Haritos told me to put my chips away. . . after it was 2:15 pm! Wrongly placed into honors pre-calc and being obligated to take AP Calc, which was terrible
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### Ode to Audrey Gallagher

Memories flicker, but one lights a torch  
Telling stories to Audrey as we sat on my porch  
– *Nana*

Wisdom is more precious than pearls.  
Muffins is more precious than both.  
- *Grampa*

May you grow from the sorrow, may you savor the bliss  
When you find yourself saying “I didn't plan THIS!" "  
- *Judy*

There were moments of joy. There were moments of strife.  
Here's to wonderful memories in your "little, little life."  
- *Alice*

You might look great in your cap and gownies  
But you will never compare to me and my khaki's.  
– *Susan*

When the going gets tough out there in the world,  
remember, we'll always be there for our girl.  
xo – *Tricia*

Roses are red, violets are blue,  
The Jacobs are talking to each other and its all about you  
– *The Jacobs*

Bar Harbour, Carpaccio's, one baby or two  
Walking on the path our babysitter was you!  
Reach for the sky Audrey-Pie  
- *TSLEJ*

"I hope you always stay the same,  
'cause there's nothing 'bout you I would change."  
- *Joseph*

### Matt O'Neil

My wish, for you, is that this life becomes all that you want it to,  
Your dreams stay big, and your worries stay small,  
You never need to carry more than you can hold,  
And while you're out there getting where you're getting to,  
I hope you know somebody loves you, and wants the same things too.

**Congratulations !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

We are **VERY** proud of you !!!!

Love Mom, Meghan and Kevin

*Congratulations Liam. Well done. We are very proud of you.*

Love from Mom, Dad and Kevin



# SENIOR SURVEY

## I'd Like to Thank...For...

“MittenSize”... the booty call(s)  
A-B... being extreme  
Adam Vitale . . . F.W.F  
Amy . . . the best coffee ever  
Angel . . . putting up with me  
Ann Situ... being her  
Baby Swiss . . . gettin' that Arab Money \$\$  
Babycakes...showing me true love  
BaLiCKI...putting up up with my jokes  
Biff + Kaybee . . . always being there! Love you guys  
Bilodeau . . . letting us play CS  
BLS . . . taking the fun out of education  
BLS . . . all the laughs  
BLS 2010...all the laughs  
BLS Step Squad...being the BEST!! ILY Vistalo!  
BLS... helping me make it out the hood  
BLS... showing me what prison is like  
BLS...teaching me life lessons  
Brian . . . being such a tease  
Britto... all the life lessons  
Britto...always being there for me  
Brownie...everything  
Casey, Scannel, Ruff, Diop, and Goggles...protecting me  
Christina . . . always making me laugh  
Christine Carbone... kicking in the door  
Ciaran Foley . . . being my BSGFFL  
Coach Gibbons...not getting me expelled  
Copley Place . . . getting a Symphony Hall gig  
Crackhead...being a crack-head  
CVS... the morning after pill  
David Ma...making sound effects during vball practice  
Davis...ballroom lessons  
Dean, Liam, Evangelos, and Hadi...e-head!  
Dr. Carroll (the Elder)... teaching me so much  
Dr. Carroll the Younger... always being there  
Dr. Carroll...being the best teacher  
Dr. Cohee . . . improving the department

Dr. Curry...everything  
Dr. Mendez...all of his help  
Dr. Neary...Dr. Neary  
Dr. Neary...existing  
Dr. Yu . . . being awesome  
Elisa Fox... being awesome  
Elizabeth Kennedy . . . planning a sick ski trip  
Elle Brigida . . . dumping Garrett, going out with me for two days  
Elvin Cako...being the best friend ever  
Ezana...being white on the inside  
Ms. Moran...being the best, nicest English teacher  
Faith Zeng!...Faith Zeng!  
Flynn... not knowing what dipshit is  
Flynn...being my grandpa  
Gabby J... being such an awesome person  
Gaby...sitting next o me in Lit :)  
Gabriella, James, and Emelia...for being the best siblings ever  
George . . . pranking me all year  
Geromio. . . for always listening  
Gio... having us as assistants  
Girls . . . being sexy  
Glennon...having a legendary BASH  
God... life  
God...being there  
God...Lacrosse  
len & Cher...putting up with me  
Izzo...his quotes  
James . . . his contributions for AP stats  
Jay Boden...helping me get it up  
Jess Wu . . . 13 years of putting up with me  
Jill Skerry... being awesome  
Jon Rose . . . keeping me updated  
Jon... entertaining me in the bathroom  
Justine Otero...introducing me to cello  
Katherine Nosal . . . proving that not all pretty girls are female dogs  
Kayla . . . flirting with everyone  
Keitt . . . his spiritual wisdom  
kids on the ski trip...for a

good laugh  
Kimmi...not judging me  
K-Street girls . . . making FHAO memorable  
Lady Gaga... taking a ride on my disco stick  
Lenny & Sheryl...driving me to school everyday! You are the best!  
Lucia + Michelle...bus rides, songs and pretty much everything  
Maestro...bringing music to my life  
Magna Mater...always being there for us and keeping me sane  
Mama Myette...being so nice and great  
Manny...always brightening up my day  
Marina...putting up with my crap  
Markiewicz . . . playing match maker  
Meg L...feeding me all these years...  
Meghan Magee . . . having a comfier chest than Paul.  
Mel Brooks . . .space balls.  
Mia... “Shap basher”  
Mike Griffin . . . letting me copy homework  
Mom + Dad...being supportive! =)  
Montague... everything  
Montague... helping out whenever he can  
Montague... not checking up on my early dismissal notes  
Mr. Akeson . . . his amazing life lessons  
Mr. Bilodeau...being RAWESOME!  
Mr. Bilodeau...showing me that math isn't all that scary  
Mr. Bonds... finally learning my name  
Mr. Bonds... turning me Republican  
Mr. Britto . . . always being there and teaching me things that will actually help me in life  
Mr. Britto...teaching me to question everything  
Mr. Bunker . . . being my bestie!  
Mr. Charig... giving me the courage to sing  
Mr. Flynn . . . his warmth

and awesomeness  
Mr. Flynn . . . saving my life  
Mr. Flynn... being the most down to Earth and understanding man  
Mr. Flynn... popping hangout  
Mr. Flynn...carrot cake :)  
Mr. G and Gio... helping me  
Mr. Gauthier . . . believing in me  
Mr. Haritos . . . teaching me how to sneeze.  
Mr. Harper...being a great guy  
Mr. Harper...being there for me all six years  
Mr. Harper...putting up with my sports arguments everyday  
Mr. Harris . . . making me a world class artist.  
Mr. Harris...being so understanding and supportive  
Mr. Harris...understanding my slowness & OCD  
Mr. Izzo . . . everything  
Mr. Izzo . . . all his stories  
Mr. Izzo . . . being awesome  
Mr. Izzo . . . his jokes  
Mr. Izzo... being hilarious  
Mr. Izzo... not dying on that scooter  
Mr. Izzo... teaching me the ways of the force  
Mr. Izzo...working like a dog  
Mr. Keel . . . my recommendation  
Mr. Keitt...a room to get soft in  
Mr. Keitt...stealing my money  
Mr. Martin... holding it down  
Mr. Mikalaitis...making junior year AMAZING!  
Mr. Montague . . . all his help and support  
Mr. Montague . . . everything  
Mr. Montague . . . being almost as awesome as Ms. Moylan  
Mr. Montague. . . EVERYTHING!  
Mr. Montague...being kind, accessible, and awesome  
Mr. Montague/Ms. Sylvester... saving my life everyday  
Mr. Mulhern...being the mulhizzle

Mr. Ryan . . . sitting next to me on the way to school  
Mr. Southwick...being a great teacher  
Mr. Southwick...making AP Physics possible  
Mr. Sullivan...being the best homeroom teacher ever.  
Mr. Sullivan...being the best man alive.  
Mr. Trainor...making Latin fun  
Mr. Veiga... helping me love you and math  
Mr. Watson . . . being a wonderful club advisor  
Mr. Watson... EVERYTHING!  
Mr. Watson...leaving the room so I could pee in peace.  
Mr.Southwick, Dr. Neary, Ms. Kelley, Mr. Izzo, and Ms. Freeman...being great teachers who motivated me to become a better student and a better person  
Mrs. Gray . . . notes!  
Ms. Arnold... everything  
Ms. Burke...giving me writing confidence  
Ms. Encarnacao...always bailing me out of trouble and always helping me with everything  
Ms. Encarnacao...helping me with college stuff  
Ms. Esteve . . . always telling me the truth  
Ms. Folon... dealing with me  
Ms. Freeman... being a great teacher and Eastern Europe  
Ms. Holm...my lucky rock  
Ms. Johnson . . . rolling jar.  
Ms. Kirkpatrick...ruining my senior week with all those movies  
Ms. Leung; Betty White... being the only good math teacher; being a friend  
Ms. Lewis . . . setting a great example and always being there for me.  
Ms. Malone/Ms. Feehily... making the main office a second home  
Ms. McCormick... helping me in English and understanding high school  
Ms. McCourt... “Calling me a cab”  
Ms. Moon + Mr. Harper...

being someone that I could go to for help or a conversation  
Ms. Moylan . . . everything she has done to get me through BLS  
Ms. Moylan ...all the support  
Ms. Moylan... everything!  
Ms. Moylan... getting through my worst days  
Ms. Moylan...being amazing  
Ms. Moylan...keeping me sane this year  
Ms. O'Malley . . . treating us like people  
Ms. O'Malley...being so (#334)  
Ms. Salterio...helping me not fail in Latin & in life  
Ms. Segal...being the stranger I hadn't met yet.  
Ms. Sylvester and Mr. Montague...being superheroes  
Ms. Sylvester... all the help she's given me  
Ms. Sylvester... putting up with my fits of bawling endlessly  
Ms. Sylvester...always being there to help  
Ms. Sylvester...always being there to help me  
Ms. Sylvester...completing my life  
Ms. Sylvester...everything! You're the best!  
Ms. Tolbert Johnson . . . stealing my last name  
Ms. Valentin's French 4 class...being the most hilarious group of people ever  
Ms. Wong...everything  
My b.c. ... keepin' me baby free  
My ex-friends...teaching me to not be a pushover  
My family . . . raising me  
My friends . . . making the past 4 years great.  
My friends and favorite teachers and staff (especially Ms. Sylvester)... being amazing people and helping me grow  
My friends... growing up with me and having my back  
My friends... having my back and my best interest in mind when I didn't  
My friends...always making me smile :)

My friends...being awesome and amazing people  
My friends...being the best  
My friends...putting up with me  
My mom...staying up late nights doing projects with me  
My parents . . . making me Myself...being freaking awesome.  
Natalyn...bringing me back from the edge  
Newports... their pleasure  
NEWPORTS...their pleasure  
Nghi Truong . . . being dumb  
Nida...for 13 years of being awesome and the upcoming 4 years of being extra awesome  
Noelia... being an amazing friend  
Osage...showing me true love  
Officer Manny . . . existing  
Officer Manny...being Officer Manny  
Officer Manny...brightening my day, everyday!  
Olajide... his stories  
Old Thompson... getting me through high school  
Osame Kommard...sharing her map on the first day of school  
Otto von Bismarck...being generally awesome  
Pat Finnigan... the Coach wristlet  
Professor Snape . . . leaving Hogwarts to come to BLS  
Professor Snape... everything  
Rashaun Martin... being too real  
Sammy/ Melissa Pegum . . . MAD PONIES YO  
Sanford...killing Hamlet (actually all Shakespeare books)  
Siobhan . . . not peeing in my pool (splash, splash!)  
Siobhan Elvin... giving me John Caldwell as a present in 7th grade  
Starbucks...all the coffee  
Swine flu...a much needed vacation  
Sylvia...separating me and Dan  
Tadesh . . . senior privileges/senior cards  
Tadesh . . . the senior card.

Tadesh Inagaki... senior cards  
Tadesh...getting us senior cards!  
Tadesh...senior privileges  
Tadesh...the senior card  
Tadesh...the senior card  
Tadesh...the senior card  
Tadesh...being President! Poff-Webster!  
The Besties...makign my years @ BLS amazing!  
The Class of 2010...being the best!  
The Crazyies...making me hate life  
The Dream Team... making Humanities class  
The Flyers...coming back from 3'o...twice  
The guidance department... being amazing and letting me visit all the time  
The lunch table . . . being awesome  
The Lunch Table...making every day feel like lunch with the Queen  
The music wing . . . being my home  
The music wing . . . giving me a place to be everyday  
The NBA . . . always having my back  
Trident... tropical gum  
TSM... the daily D-sessions  
Twilight fangirls . . . destroying the concept of vampires  
Twinny . . . being the bestest twin ever.  
Watson...everything  
Whoever's typing this... typing this  
William Kelley...my record  
Woodliez...Bomb weekends  
You... not screwing it up  
You... taking time to read this  
You...bein' a friend  
You...being a friend  
You...reading this.  
You...sharing your STD with me  
Your mom . . . a wonderful night  
Yu-Gi-Oh and Pokemon... making me who I am today  
Yunwei Sun...planning my surprise bday party last year—best birthday ever! <3

*"In order to succeed, we must first believe that we can."*

-Nikos Kazantzakis

## Congratulations Julianna!

We love you and wish you all the best as you begin your next chapter at BU.

Love,  
Dad, Mom, Maria, Kyri and Georgia

## CONGRATULATIONS ANNA FRAPPAOLO!

You have worked so hard for many years – we are very, very proud of you.

We love you!

Teresa, Dad, Mom, Papa, Grama, Aunt Colette, Uncle Bob, Aunt Alice, Nicole, Laura, Genna, Aunt Mary, Uncle John, Aunt Lynne, Aunt Megan, Uncle James, Kaidee, Thomas, Uncle Peter, Aunt Caroline, Peter, Serena, Simons, Aunt Carol, Uncle Jim, Grace, Uncle Lou, Aunt Lisa, Carlyn, Sarah, Patty, Jason, Maya, Ava, Jock, Beth, Maya & Corin



# SENIOR SURVEY

## Things I'd Change About BLS

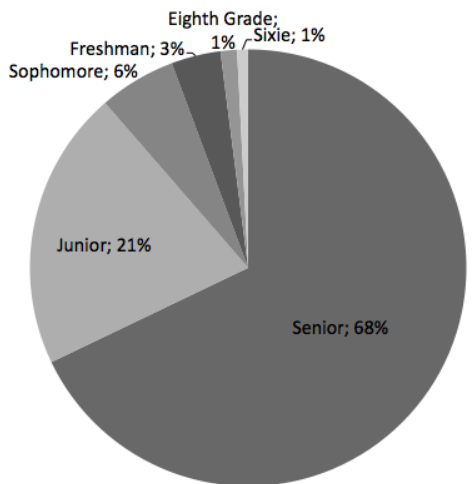
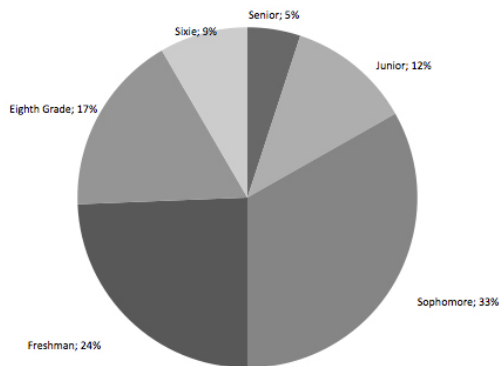
...Where to start...  
 ...Where to start?  
 "Tres Amigos" in the math department  
 90% the teachers  
 75% of the student body  
 75% of the student body  
 1) Gym credit for sports, 2) iPods in studies  
 1) Naptime period 2) interesting courses (ex. psychology)  
 More HALF-DAYS!  
 3 minutes to get to R7  
 3) Air conditioning  
 4) Toilet paper in the girls' bathroom  
 All too! Too many stupid rules  
 Actual privileges for seniors, start time, off campus lunch  
 Add a lacrosse team  
 Add AP Psychology  
 Add my portrait to auditorium  
 Administration  
 Aggy teachers...lol Anthony Betances (#112)  
 Air Conditioning  
 AIR CONDITIONING, seriously  
 All the rules!  
 All the stupid people who somehow made it to this place  
 All the Westies  
 Allow off-campus lunch time; have a study week before finals  
 amount of homework  
 Artsss\$\$\$\$\$  
 Attendance policies  
 Bathrooms  
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 bathrooms  
 Bathrooms!  
 Bathrooms! And Senior Privileges  
 Bathrooms, Air conditioning, Athletic facilities  
 Be able to fire bad teachers  
 Beauty pageants to get into the school instead of a test because we have some UGLY chicks  
 Being a public school  
 Being able to leave during 7th period study  
 Better drama program  
 better girls' bathrooms  
 Better heating in winter & better air conditioning  
 BLS Open campus  
 Bring back Ms. McCourt  
 bring Cornelia back  
 Bring Mr. Charig back  
 Bring the good chocolate cookies back!  
 Cafeteria food  
 Certain faculty  
 Cleaner bathrooms  
 Cleaner bathrooms  
 Clothing mandatory policy  
 Community -> racism, cliques, etc  
 cuter guys; get rid of the annoying 7th/8th graders  
 Dag near everything  
 Dictatorship  
 don't cut honors; more electives  
 Don't even get me started...  
 Eat on the lawn!  
 Entire staff, decent toilet paper, food  
 Everything  
 Everything  
 Everything  
 everything

Everything about BLS having to do with seniors  
Faith Zeng!  
fewer cliques  
Fire 90% of the teachers  
Fire mean teachers  
Fire McQuade/everything  
Fire the bad teachers  
Flynn  
French  
Frowning upon alcohol in school  
Fun Senior Things – Trips, etc.  
Get a lacrosse team  
Get a pool on the roof  
Get rid of every teacher not named  
O'Malley, Izzo, Myette, or Mulhern  
Get rid of Flynn  
Get rid of the athletic director  
Get rid of mean teachers  
Get rid of the ancient traditional junk  
Get rid of the awful teachers and get more  
good ones  
Get rid of these horrible teachers  
Give Mr. B a full-time job!  
Give seniors privileges  
Have sushi at lunch!  
Head football coach  
Headmaster (Get Mrs. Kelley back!)  
Heaters and Air Conditioners! Senior  
Privileges  
Horrible teachers and more classes  
How strict and boring it is  
I would add naptime  
If teachers can drink coffee, let the students  
Incompetent teachers  
integral(t/cabin) = houseboat  
Invest in whips  
Jetpacks  
Lack of teacher enthusiasm  
Less boring traditions  
Less crazies  
Less incompetent math teachers  
Let seniors leave during lunch  
Let seniors leave for last period study  
Let us leave on a study R7  
Limit on number of AsP  
Long lunch  
Longer lunch  
Longer lunch period  
Longer lunches  
Longer lunches  
Longer lunches  
Longer lunches  
Lunch  
Lunch and senior privileges  
Lunch outside more often  
Lunch outside!  
Make a "No Pants" policy  
Make it better for B-sies  
Make it have cute black boys  
Make it start later  
Make Izzo the headmaster  
Make the bathroom more hospitable than  
space  
Making jobs legitimate extracurriculars  
for NHS  
Monthly school dances  
More classes like Humanities  
More cowbell  
More electives  
More encouragement  
More field trips and a dance studio

More french fries!  
More girls that look like Megan Fox  
More money towards the arts  
More senior privileges  
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More senior privileges and dances  
More teachers who want to teach  
More toilet paper  
More TP and more time between classes  
The math department  
Mr. Bernazzani for principal  
Mr. Flynn  
Ms. Chouinard  
Ms. Hauck  
Ms. Holm sniping my iced coffee  
Ms. Holm, Ms. Elliott and tardy detention  
Ms. Mooney-Teta  
Ms. Sylvester and Ms. Esteve...everything!  
Needs to be more friendly  
No homework  
No honors classes.  
No plastic Halloween props rule  
**NO TARDY DETENTION! WTF**  
No tardy detentions  
No toilet paper/paper towels/soap in bathrooms  
Nothing  
Nothing, it's perfect  
Nothing; you all have to suffer as much as I did. >.)  
Off campus lunch?  
Off campus studies and lunches  
One kid expelled for doing weed but absolutely nothing happened to the kids on the ski trip? Enough said.  
Open campus  
Privileges for seniors  
Psych evaluation  
Regurgitation & pretentiousness  
Requirements for NHS applicants  
School lunch  
School Lunch  
Senior lunch outside of school  
Senior parking situation  
Senior privelages  
Senior privileges  
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Senior privileges  
Seniors get out earlier  
Silly names and rules  
Softer toilet paper  
Softer toilet paper  
Some of the faculty who are power-hungry  
Some of the teachers  
Some of the teachers!

sophomore Semi  
Stairs that lead to nowhere  
Start later  
Starting the day later  
Stop being so strict and bleeding kids of  
their money  
Stop forcing it all the time  
Students' attitudes  
Taking two years of world history = awful  
Tardy Detention  
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Tardy detention policy, math department  
Tardy detention, start times, and  
administration  
Tardy detentions  
Tardy policy  
Tardy policy  
Tardy procedure  
Teacher evaluations for  
every teacher  
Teachers  
Teachers  
Teachers  
Teachers  
Teachers not listening to  
students  
Teachers/faculty who lack  
empathy  
The administration  
The clique-iness  
The color scheme  
The Cravens  
The Dictatorship  
The egos of the teachers  
THE ENTIRE MATH  
DEPARTMENT  
The fact that there are no more honors  
The food  
The food  
The French department  
The homework load  
The Language  
department  
The liberal bias  
The math department  
The Nazi fuhrer  
administration  
The Nazi fuhrer admins  
The no freedom  
The pizza  
The politics of the  
administration and  
the tenure system  
The restrooms  
The rules  
The sexual harassment  
rule  
The teachers definitely  
and how the school's  
not about learning but  
grades  
The teachers of BLS  
The teachers who don't

care  
The teachers/Facing-requirement  
The tenure system  
The useless ego  
The vampires  
The violent anti-Semitism  
The way the administrators hire teachers  
because right now they're doing it  
blindfolded  
There should be senior privileges  
Those horrible teachers  
Those teachers that actually hate kids  
Time school starts  
Toilet paper  
Toilet paper  
Toilet paper  
TOILET PAPER!!!!  
Two studies a day  
Two words...LASER CATS  
What wouldn't I change/more art classes/  
cuter boys!



## LEAST FAVORITE YEAR

## FAVORITE YEAR

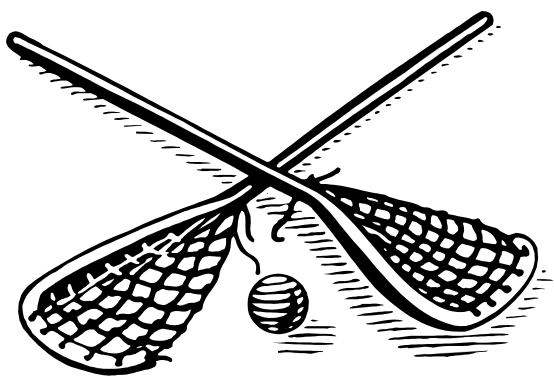
# You did it Jesse!

We love you and are so proud of  
you!

Graduation is only the beginning  
of the amazing things life has in  
store for you.

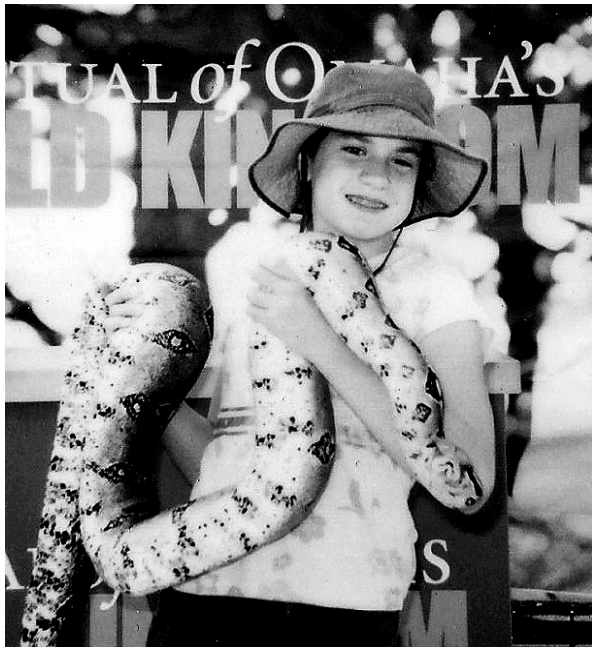
# Congratulations!

# Mum, Dad, Katie and Gracie



# Good Luck at Wheaton!

Sssssso proud of you, Mariah!



Congratulations on your graduation.

You have grown into such a wonderful and talented young woman. Be yourself and hold dear what is important as you embark on your next adventure.

With kisses and a big squeeze,

Dad, Mom, Michaela, Grammy, Nana  
and all of your family on both coasts.







# SENIOR SURVEY

## I Had a Secret Crush on...

“Hot Sixie Girl” “pillow” A boy... and i’m a boy. hehe A lot of girls Adam Vitale Akeson Akeson (that silver haired fox) Akeson (the silver haired fox) Alex Williams Alexandra Williams Ali DeSantis Amelia Burke Amelia Burke Andrew DeAngelo Andy Vo Angela Lanney Angela Lanney Anna Frappaolo Anna Mackoul Ashley Deleon Baberaham Lincoln Baby Swiss Balicki Ben Chen Ben Rukavina Ben Rukavina Ben Rukavina Bethany Bilodeau Brad Petipas Brad, the guidance guy Brad/and definitely not the masseuse/ Megan duck worm :) Brendan Downs Brendan Downs Brendan Downs Brian Forgione Brighid O’Brien Brighid O’Brien Butch Butch Caroline Kiritsy Caroline Kiritsy Caroline Kiritsy Caroline Kiritsy Cheng Zong Chin Chu Chin Chu but it wasn’t a secret	Chris + Jephthe Chris and Jephthe Chris Carreiro Chris Galofaro Chris Nguyen Clarke Humphery Clarke Humphrey Coach Holland Connor D Connor Doherty Connor Dougherty Connor Dougherty Connor Nee Connor Nee Damary Damary Gutierrez Darry Ma David Ma David Ma David Ma David Shapiro (Mr. O’s student teacher) Deanna Peter Deanna Peter Derek Miller Derek Miller Diane Quinones Diane Quinones Dr. Karydas Dr. Neary Dr. Neary Dr. Neary Dr. Neary Dr. Neary and Mr. Akeson Draper Edbert Wang Edbert Wang Eli Hoffman Eli Hoffman Eli Hoffman Eli Hoffman Elton John Emily Jager Emily Mergel Emily Wean Emily Wean Emma Gilman Emma Gilman Eric Flint Eric Flint Evangelos Evangelos James Bender Jay Bowdin Evangelos	Evangelos Evangelos Evangelos Evangelos... but that wasn’t a secret Everyone but you! Everyone by You! Everyone... I liked everyone Faith Zeng! Figgie Figgy Figgy Gabriella Betances Gaby Javierbieda Gaby Javierbieda George Bekandy George Bekandy Georgie Gerome Paradela Gerome Paradela Giancarlo Duncan Giancarlo Duncan (love you babe) Gomo Hall Gomo Hall Greg Hall Greg Hall Greg Hall Greg O Hadi Hand Helen Chen Her Hieu Nguyen Him Hot Sixie Girl Hot sixie girl Hot sixie girl hot sixie girl Hot sixie now known as hot 8 <sup>th</sup> grader I plead the fifth Isabel Hibbard Isabel Hibbard It wouldn’t be a secret if I said it Jakara Tolbert Jakara Tolbert Jake Goldklang Jake Goldklang James Bender Jay Bowdin Jeff Grand-Pierre	Jeff Grand-Pierre Jelyn Masa Jenn Tran Jenn Tran Jenna Palermo Jenna Vraibel Jenna Vraibel Jesse O’Neil Jesse O’Neil Jesse O’Neil Jesse O’Neil Jesse Southwick Jesse Swanson Jessica Alba Jessica Alba Jessica Alba Jessie O’Neil Joephine Joey Hartigan John Caldwell John Margaris John Margaris John McKenna John McKenna <3 Johnny Mac Jordan Goldwarg Josephine Josh Savides Justice Tocker Justin E Justin E Justin Evangelista Justin Evangelista Justina Wong Justina Wong Ka Po Lam Ka Po Lam Kaitlyn Butler Kaitlyn Butler Katherine Nosal Katie O’Neil Kevin Bernazzani Kevin Cotrone Kevin McD Kevin McDonough KidiL Kirsten Hartwick Kirsten Hartwick Kit Ho! 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Mr. Southwick Mr. Southwick Mr. Spezzano Mr. Spivakovksy Mrs. Craven Mrs. D Mrs. D Mrs. Kirkpatrick Mrs. Tolbert Johnson Mrs. Tolbert Johnson Mrs. Vraible Ms Cruz Ms. Brun Ms. Brun Ms. Cruz Ms. Ferreira Ms. Hantout Ms. Kirkpatrick Ms. Ledang Ms. Ledang Ms. McCoy Ms. Moylan Ms. Polvere My cello Myself N/A Nicco Nicco Murratore Nick Carter Nick Carter Nick Moreno Nick Parker No one but I love Xin Yul :D No one in this school, Ryan Reynolds No one..ok fine, maybe Officer Manny No one? No secrets -> very blatantly obvious with it No Secrets :)	Very Blatantly obvious with It Not you Nuri Al-Hakim Nuri Al-Hakim, Greg Penella, Brad Petipas Olajide Ogundipe Olajide Ogundipe Olajide/John Mckenna Olga Ramos Olga Ramos <3 Osage Osage Osage Osage P.B. 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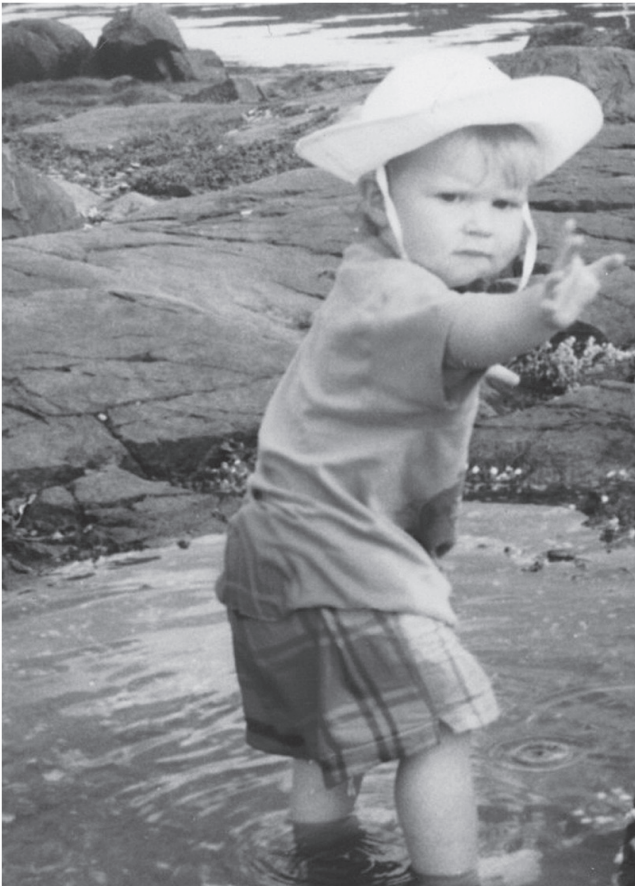
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Olivia Schwob.....

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All  
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We’re so proud of you sweetie!

CONGRATULATIONS  
DANNY!

YOU MADE IT  
THROUGH! YOU  
ROCK!

LOVE,

MOM, DAD, & WILLIS  
(ARF! ARF!)



# SENIOR SURVEY

## In Ten Years You'll Find Me...

Happier than ever before on top of the world Hosting an exhibit at the ICA being a millionaire!!!!!! hopefully In a Bedouin Tribe Selling out Madison Square Garden In an ER saving lives =) On top of your girl in the pursuit of happiness taking down bad guys on the streets on Boston Sleeping in an Alley with a pint of Ruble W/ Waldo being a hippie still squealing at the sigh of an adorable plush and other cute things =P in Australia w/ a hot shirtless man sipping pina coo hopefully married & making films ladas w/a miniature huskey eating a sandwich shaking my groove thing In the army!Ohoorah! Traveling the world as a nurse Having more money than you and the love of my life in a ballpit working at the Stardust Diner in your time capsule taking down bad guys overthrowing Malcolm at Charles bootyshakin =) with room 301 knocked up, married, having a great job, and happy! Fighting crime w/ Batman in Gotham City With a bottle of jack and two grandkids on my lap up at the wall or poop spot married to a blue man With all the other woods fairies listening to the dickie chickies and drinking margaritas with Koletta Marr investing in flying mopeds With a job... hopefully Taking a bath in a tub of money	divorced, by thin and rich in the octopus' garden in the shade on a pursuit of happiness poledancing on NY subway richer than Bill Gates Doing j bombs everywhere With white girls On a chinchilla farm married to Nick Carter Rich and tan or dead Making bank Saving lives Being a boss and living it up Far away from BLS Helping Third World children Owning all of Poland On my tookus Employing you Riding the chill wave Stealing from Jenn Ngo's shoe store With babies At the top of the charts Opening my time capsule Jockin on these haters man Being GP Having fun and enjoying life Riding on the back of Mr. Izzo's motorized scooter Trying to do surgery on a giraffe Very successful Having fun and enjoying life Eating fresh raspberries and running another marathon Laughing harder than I am now In my dream house married with four kids Here. There. Everywhere Behind you Still listening to gangsta rap Loving life Working internationally iEither eating a fashion magazine or back at BLS posting tough next to Ms. McCourt's room with Dean teaching English and History and gossiping.i Married to Mr. Flynn Owning a diner When you least expect to In grad school	Opening my time capsule You won't Rich and traveling around the world soakin' up the sun all year round As the newest employee at Charm City Cakes Makin my man a sandwich Getting down to business to defeat the huns homeless and doing anything I can to finance my drug habit on America's Most Wanted Managing a company Teaching English right back here In Paris or France starting my own line of clothing or party-ing it up Teaching or writing a book Traveling the world or teaching in Boston Owner of my own company, married, rich, and happy Running a development firm In your pornos On the pursuit of happiness Married w/children Working as a doctor of Physical Therapy As the owner of my own shoe store Being richer than ever and traveling the world In my mansion being rich and happy Playing with the world literature a top in my hand On a boat? Cruising the world Living the good life Either in the MLL or in a hospital bed Traveling around the world on tour as a manager of a band In a pineapple under the sea Selling my body to lonely and desperate men... and still liking turtles Rock climbing Working in a hospital Better than you Making more money than you	Makin' some green (hopefully) Working in Washington D.C. with a puppy Having Amelia Burke as a roommate In a store near you!!! Hopefully back here at BLS teaching Sharing a mansion with George Bekandy Filthy rich with Pauline In Burbank, CA, pulling a heist on the Disney vault CEO of clothing line Traveling the world and earning a lot of money Opening my time capsule In Shanghai, London, or New York City Happy and saving the world one ocean at a time Completing my racial quotas by fathering an Inuit baby On my own private island sipping a pina colada In every fashion magazine you see Living, laughing, loving You won't. I'll be drowned in the Atlantic Ocean, Married with a baby on the way Still bickering with Miles Billings with the Boys In Madrid with my Spanish lover Dr. Neary Back at BLS w/two kids !! Re-union 2020!! Lost in the woods of Maine Sitting in the booth calling games with John Sterling Living the lifestyle of the rich and famous As a successful lawyer! In a barn shoulder deep in cow 28 years old and laughing at the things in my time capsule Owning my own bakery 27 years old Living Life to the fullest Singing Beijing Operas IN your house...as the pizza guy	Teaching at BLS Opening my Time Capsule Rocking a Law Degree Hopefully doing everything I wanna do and being who I aim to be Married to Tonia Smiling In a seaside village birthing cows and studying whales Back here for time capsule Living the dream <3 In a Bentley In the centerfold (Playmate of the Year!) Traveling around the world Accepting my Second Academy Award at the Kodak Theatre Reading my time capsule Uh...I dunno Drinking gin in the Roaring 20's Married to Beyonce Hookah with George Opening my time capsule and remembering how lame I was Reading my time capsule Opening up a restaurant in Santa Fe (Sunny Santa Fe would be nice) Planting potatoes in Idaho Pushin weight by the Kilos Making the babies Bringing down Whitey Bulger with my sexy Irish partner in the FEDS On television (or the holovision) Having a dance party on a boardwalk Still Stylin' on 'em In Japan Dancing with a monkey Married to a rich foreign man On TV :D Looking good And I will be amazed that you did Rich and successful Hollerin' till I pass out NOT at the 2010 reunion Running Kupel's Bakery with a camera and a blanket	full of dreams strapped to my back Married to a superstahh living on Marlborough Street Married to a Sexy Mexican Women (probably for green card purposes) Stranded on an island, all that is left of a global-warming and ravaged Bangladesh On the campaign trail Married with children in a big house with a big porch and a pretty yard pregnant you won't Dead Brazil For time capsule in BLS 10th reunion Around Sitting in a bean bag chair naked eating cheetos Back at BLS...NOT! Playing for the Celtics Dead from a freak gasoline fight accident Reproducing Opening my time capsule at the 10 year reunion On the front page of a newspaper At BLS Teaching on a boat? Far away from here, making my dreams reality Satisfied (hopefully) You won't find me... Still on chatroulette, nexting all the inappropriate body parts pregnant in Florida saving the world Teaching History in Latin with Molly next to me, while we imitate Ms. Hopefully not still a Vegan Doing something great opening my time capsule Skydiving. Again. In debt but working as a surgeon Chillin' out, maxin', relaxin' all cool. Rich and Married	at an AA meeting =D, Big Pimpin' Spendin' Cheese Living happily ever after Being beautiful, dirty, rich, rich in California Happily M arried with Kids With my mind on my money, and my money on my mind Minding my own business...you should do the same Transformed into a bear so BLS can go into lockdown for real Starting my own law firm Still getting the ladies Living off the coast of Italy with my mistress Francesca Polvere In my house, making bank Rocking out with my Guitar collection Married Being a milf Dippin with squirtz in NY as a pediatric nurse Hopefully married and hot a crazy cat lady up the Bunkahh 10 years stupider married to a Billionaire More Beautiful, Happier, and richer. I'm going to be so fly, except for God, I'm going to be higher than the sky Famous, rich, and happily married to a hot foreigner Hunting wolverine with a cross-bow on Mr. Bond's farm Probably still in Canada In Playboy ;) Married to a rich man Livin it up or in a cardboard box NOWHERE, Because I will be deep undercover, unless of course I'm opening the time capsule writing articles, living in NYC like Carrie Bradshaw on a boat sailing the world sailing with NBA to our secret island with mad ponies from mons
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"We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give."  
~Winston Churchill

You have much to give,  
Class of 2010!  
**-The Poffsters**



Melissa Macheras



For every ending, there’s a new beginning  
For every memory, there’s a dream ahead  
The happy times you’ve had so far, the people you have met  
Will always be a part of life, you’ll never quite forget...  
But ever better, brighter days are waiting just for you,  
So dream your dreams... and start in now  
To make them all come true!

'Liss -  
We’ve watched you grow from Kindergarten through High School and we know there are more great things to come your way. Can’t wait to see what lies ahead.  
Good luck at UMass.

Love, Mom and Dad



Congratulations to the Class of 2010! I am honored to be leaving with you. Be true to the convictions that have always motivated you, use your considerable talents to change the world and stay as kind as you are.

~ Nancy O'Malley



Editor-in-Chief

“Always do everything you ask of those you command,” said General George S. Patton. Now I’ve got my obligatory inspirational quote out of the way. I was planning on choosing one that had no possible relevance—“You’re trying hard to put food on your families,” by former President Bush, comes to mind—but I figured the pomp and ceremony of the moment deserved something better. So, along with this rather ridiculous stream-of-consciousness first paragraph, I give you Patton’s words of wisdom. But now, let’s move on. In order to do everything I ask of those I command, I should hurry up and get past the first paragraph.

Being Editor-in-Chief of the Argo is a pretty sweet gig: part management of people who are usually on top of their sections; part having your bad jokes laughed at by people who are keen on advancing; part lending editorial expertise when someone says, “What’s a good word to use here?”; part using very long sentences with no one to current you... because you (or rather I, in this case) am the Argo King, as Uyen says. Well, as Uyen says when she’s not mad at me.

That’s a part of the Argo too—tempers fray as deadlines approach and as the Argo staff gets more and more annoyed at their pretentious Editor-in-Chief pontificating on the royal nicknames he’d like to have. But then he makes a deprecating, self-referential joke, and humility and efficiency return.

Lest these three paragraphs of little sense and less substance have not convinced you, the Argo isn’t really about the Editor-in-Chief. There are a whole lot of people who may very well be more awesome than I, and know it, but just haven’t informed me of that fact yet, since I’m

still, technically, their boss. I’ll just mention some of the highlights of our crew to use up a few hundred words. (More importantly, because they’re the best people I could ever ask for to work with, and I care about them quite a bit. I pulled a fast one on you there with the sincerity, didn’t I? Gotcha.)

Any mentioning of the Argo staff—other than a ranking by height—would have to include Andy Vo, A.K.A. Anderson Vo, A.K.A. Angry Vo, A.K.A. Angryvated Vo. No, Andy isn’t actually short for Anderson... yet. There’s a little-known clause in the contract he signed to become EIC next year that requires him to change it, though. But regardless of nomenclature, Andy Vo was a phenomenal person to work with this year. Through endless AP U.S. history references, many backbreaking pains when I bent down to try to talk to him on his level, and a multitude of arguments so great that now when I argue with anyone I go “but Andy Vo!” every five seconds, Andy remains the greatest person the world has ever known. Okay, maybe that was a bit much (Andy: No, no it was not.) Still, I’m confident in his ability to lead the Argo to greater heights next year, along with our other new EIC, Reed.

Nice transition of mine there. Reed has continued the trend of Forum dominating the EIC position (I pretended to be impartial all year, but that’s out the window now). I can always count on her to pull off an awkward “Hiiiiiii!” in the hallway, but more importantly, to edit an article to perfection at the drop of a hat.

Now, I’ve already used up those few hundred words without getting past the EICs to all the other amazing people in the Argo. I’ll have to condense things a bit (“Or you could just take out all the obnoxiousness,” a voice whispers in my ear... but nonsense, I’m not going to do that). Here goes... there’s the always-hilariously-

floundering News section, headed by Maya and David but with Beverly as the power behind the throne, which never seems to finish yet sets a new standard for journalism each issue. There’s Forum, my homeland, with Beata brightening up my day despite never being there (and writing a rather interesting farewell, too...). There’s A&E, where Rachel is legit the best thing to happen to the Argo. Nothing more need be said except that if I ever have the chance I’d definitely nominate her for Goddesshood. There’s Sports, which is perpetually doing its own thing that finishes faster than the rest of us, with Sanchay rapping loudly when he thinks he’s alone in the Schwabel Center. There’s Copy, crewed by just about the coolest people ever—Uyen, Jenn/Jeann, Roselle, Yunwei, and all their associates. They created their own party down in the computer lab when we made them move there. There’s Photo, where I remember Elodie perfectly photoshopping people into last year’s senior editors’ picture (the jury’s still out on whether we’ll have to do that this time, but trust me, if she does it you won’t be able to tell the difference), Helen orchestrating the carnation fundraiser like a mastermind, and Jinzhao and Sophia showing their dedication by prowling around Fenway for Wi-Fi on street corners at 10 PM. There’s Science and Tech, led by the intrepid Mike Chen, who emailed us about starting a new section and then just made it happen—I’m auctioning off rights to his inspirational story. And last and best (sorry everyone else), there’s FAITH ZENG! and DOMINICK! on Layout, who defy all possible accolades by being just that great. There’s not much that can top one editor working 17 hours straight on the Argo and her assistant laying down the Jake and Amir references as adroitly as he handles InDesign. We have one hell of a newspaper, especially when

you include the dedicated EBAs (I’m looking at you, B. and Bobby, who wrote articles just before deadline), associates, writers, and the best old-school advisor to grace these hallowed halls in 375 years, Mr. Flynn.

This has now turned into another one of my thousand-word articles, and I couldn’t be happier about that (and Faith and Dominick couldn’t be more annoyed at having to make it fit). It’s been a privilege to guide the helm of the good ship Argo. Remember to always write funny EIC notes so people read them (I take particular pride in the zombies one), write concisely when possible and verbosely when there’s a 400-word gap on the page, break the rules when necessary (warning: many rules of editing have been broken in the course of this farewell because the author feels like he can get away with it), be friends not just colleagues with your fellow Argonauts, roll with the punches when servers go down or writing is meh, and please, please: tip the guy who brings the Final Friday pizza.

With the utmost respect,  
Thanks,  
Will

News

By the time you read this, we will have graduated and been done with BLS forever. It’s a bittersweet feeling, but at least we get satisfaction from knowing that you’ll still be stuck in school for the next two weeks.

News is definitely the hardest section to complete because no one seems interested in writing for us, even though we’re the best section with the best editors (plus, we always get the front page). Many find objective news boring and stale like bread, but without news, the Argo



Congratulations to Emily!

With love and much pride  
from Mom, Dad, Elizabeth  
&  
your biggest fans

Fred, Vi & Bella

Ben Rukavina  
Congratulations! You are the  
best!

Enjoy UVM, we will miss you.  
Mom, Dad, Nate, and Sara

Congratulations  
Marcelle,



Love Marsar & Farsar



wouldn't be a *newspaper* so we take pride in being the most important section of our school's beloved publication.

Though you might not believe it, our section is always dead last to finish every production week (only because we try to provide our readers with the most up-to-date issues). We'd like to thank Sanchay because even though the Sports section always finishes first, he reminds us that it's quality, not speed, that matters.

Our deepest gratitude goes to our infamous BFG EIC, William Poff-Webster. Even though he spent most of his time hovering over our shoulders and breathing down our necks, asking us if we were done yet (we never were), he did a great job this year organizing each issue and helping us out when we were in dire straits.

To our amazing assistant, Beverly NMN Nguyen, no words can express our intense emotions toward you and your editing prowess. You show up every production week willing to sacrifice your time and always bringing your everlasting patience to put up with us.

Dear Copy, we won that haiku war hands down. Even though we have a love-hate relationship (We love you, and you hate us. [Jenn: Not true.]), we'll always appreciate the times you stayed at school late at night, waiting for us to finish. You're the best and most hardworking section of the *Argo*, and hopefully the relationship between News and Copy will improve next year.

Mrs. Davis, you really aren't relevant to the *Argo* but we both had you as a teacher, and we owe all of our Calculus and ballroom dancing skills to you. (And David is sorry he did not get a 5 on the AP test, but this year's juniors should be grateful that you are teaching them Calculus).

Mr. Flynn. Thank you for putting up with our long hours and controversial topics. You are a great advisor and the all-knowing Trivia Master of BLS.

University House of Pizza. We're sure you'll never see this but you make a mean BBQ chicken pizza. Thank you for providing us with sustenance during Final Fridays. We'll miss your speedy delivery service.

Lastly, thank you BLS. After six years of ups and downs (and lefts and rights), we're finally done. Good luck next year, because Beverly and B. are forces to be reckoned with!

— Maya and David

## Forum

If you're reading this having just crossed the stage: IT'S ALL OVER. You've donned the hideous but recognizable purple cap and gown, shaken Mrs. Mooney-Teta's hand, and received your well-earned golden ticket out of here.

If you're reading this in homeroom: YOU'RE STILL HERE. But really, you are. Well, that sucks. Just think of it this way: if you're a junior, the end is near...only 168 more days of school left (not that anyone is counting). If you're a sophomore, you're about to start the college process, and that's so much fun! If you're a freshman, you're no longer safe... Room 217 may appear on your schedule. If you're an eighth grader, you're no longer going to smell like Abercrombie Fierce and have to squeeze past the masses in the hallways. And if you're a sixie...well, you're no longer a sixie, and that's reason enough to celebrate. But really, the end is near for all of you, and it'll come faster than you expect.

But back to the *Argo*.

I would like to first and foremost thank Reed for making me look good this past year. You are going to be an amazing

Editor-in-Chief with Andy; try not to stress out too much! I know that next year is going to run much more smoothly (don't tell Will I said that!), and I'm sure that you will ensure that Forum is top notch.

To my fellow seniors, I am happy that I was able to spend all of those late nights with you. (Will...you know you were happy to become a member of the three-feet-off-the-ground club.) I'd also like to give a shout-out to everyone in Copy (senior or not), who polish all of our articles to perfection. Without you, God knows what they would look like. And to all of the writers, thank you for putting up with our editing and e-mails! Please continue to send in more pieces! We may not say it often, but you're all awesome.

So peace out BLS and 2010. Dragging myself into school after May 28<sup>th</sup> to be here has been rough but definitely worth it. I get some satisfaction from a little chant I heard back in 2004: It's all over. You're still here.

— Beata

## A&E

I suppose I'm not a very sentimental person. As I sit here and try to gouge my brain to write something poignant and appropriately emotional, my mind gives me nothing. Perhaps the weight of goodbyes has not fully hit me yet, and perhaps in a few years, I will look back at my time in Boston Latin School and the *Argo* with teary eyes. But right now, writing this reflection does not seem like the signal to an end – my ties to this school and this newspaper are too tangled to be cut abruptly.

What strikes me the most about the *Argo* is the amount of passionate people in it – from the editors to the writers, members of the *Argo* strive to make the newspaper informative, worthwhile, and precious. Articles are edited with great care and discussed at great length, and people often stay late to get their tasks done. There's always a sense of unity in the *Argo*, editors and associates work together, and they also have fun together. There are always smiles all around in the photo lab.

To Andy and Rachel: you guys are among these passionate people. You guys truly care about the A&E section, and you two are always productive, industrious, and responsible. You guys are not afraid to take on heavy workloads, and are always prepared and organized. The *Argo* will be great under your hands, I don't doubt it a bit. Good luck next year as seniors, you two have my best wishes.

To the other senior editors and the Class of 2010: good luck to all of you too. We've all worked hard and long to earn our way out of BLS, but I will remember our time spent together in these hallowed halls. To those who are still in BLS: your time will come, and time goes by faster than you think. While hard work is required for success, have time to relax too – don't burn yourself out. Ambition and idealism is good, but know your limits and be realistic at the same time. And no, you don't have to be the president of ten clubs and be on the verge of finding a cure for cancer to get into college, so don't overwhelm yourself.

I don't think I've yet encountered a single soul who says that he or she loves BLS. Of course, BLS fosters a sort of unhealthy competition that breeds pressure and exhaustion. The school also fosters an early addiction to coffee in the student body. I can't say that I love BLS, but I do have some begrudging respect for it, for the school does have its share of interesting and awesome teachers, administrators and students. It's a school with great resources, and I doubt my path would be

the same without BLS.

Hmm, I still don't feel very emotional. But when I take out this graduation issue years later and read it with the nostalgia that tends to afflict the general population at one point or the other, I believe I will get sentimental. Just a little.

— Sophia

## Sports

“Error by error, one discovers the entire truth.” This quote could easily sum up my six year journey at Boston Latin School. Like all humans, I have made countless mistakes, and it is through these mistakes that I have been able to learn so much about myself. Having said that, I would like to share with you arguably my biggest flaw in the hopes that you will not follow my path and commit a similar mistake.

During these past six years, I have had a tendency not to take myself seriously. There might have been a point initially when I did, but such feelings soon faded away. I decided that it would be better to walk around loose and reckless, entertaining other people, because after all, there were way too many high-strung and stressed-out students to begin with.

The problem with not taking yourself seriously is that, quite frankly, nobody else takes you seriously thereafter. You come up with a serious suggestion, people first scrutinize you, and then they quickly dismiss the suggestion. Why? Because they don't think you're being serious. You write some pretty decent pieces of satire, trying to point out problems the school currently faces, and try to submit these works to the *Argo*, and soon enough, you find your articles titled “Shut up Sanchay!” Why? Because everybody thinks you're just trying to ramble and be funny. Sure, people find you pleasant to be around when you don't take yourself seriously, even in settings like Public Declamation, but that's only because they figure you aren't serious competition—after all, you don't seriously think you are going to win something anyway.

Basically, although it is a great thing to have fun and be stress-free while trying to endure in this institution known as Boston Latin School, I strongly advise against letting yourself be considered a joke. Ultimately, it isn't worth it. Should you heed my advice? Probably not. After all, I don't take myself seriously anyway.

So with all of that rambling behind us, it's time for the part of the article that you actually care about: the shout-outs and the thanks. First and foremost, I would like to thank those of you that took the time to read the Sports section. Whether you started your *Argo* experience from page 16, or you worked your way back to my pride and joy, I am glad you enjoyed our articles. I would also like to thank all of the sports teams this school has. You guys work incredibly hard during your seasons, and even during the off-season, to train and practice. I look up to your effort and ability to form tight bonds with each other during the course of a regular season. Also, thanks a lot for taking the time out in between balancing your sports commitments and your homework to answer the questions my writers had for you.

And of course, without the writers, there would be no *Argo*. I want to thank you guys for being consistent, and (for the most part) sticking to the deadlines. Brian, Eli, Aadhar, Steven, Alex, David and Colin, you guys were awesome (if I missed a staff writer, my bad... I haven't worked on the *Argo* in months). Special shout-outs to Vimin and Ricardo for being a great support structure as Assistant Sports Editors, and shout-outs to Mike,

Devin and Luke for taking over. I'm sure you guys will do a much better job than I ever could have. And of course, without Rene's guidance last year, I couldn't have done any of this.

Then of course, I need to thank the rest of the *Argo* staff... mainly for putting up with me and my weirdness. Thanks to all the Copy Editors and Associates for handling my sports articles despite your limited sports knowledge. Thanks to the Layout Editors and Associates for trying desperately to teach me how to make a dummy. I'm sorry I never learned. Thanks to the Photo staff for taking my pictures. Thanks to all the other section editors for being cool people. And yeah, Will and Andy, you guys kept things rolling, so congrats.

So to sum up my ramblings: I suck, thank you so much everyone for compensating for my shortcomings, and GHC is the movement. BRRRRRAT.

— Sanchay

## Copy Editing

As I sit here trying to mentally separate myself from the chaos that attaches itself to *Argo* production week, I turn and ask Beata how much she's written for her Forum Editor's farewell.

“Uh. I don't even know what to write. Hey Will, could I just list my favorite fruits?” It's this kind of quirkiness that makes me love *Argo*.

As she and Will engage in some sort of conversation, I look toward the other side of the computer lab, where next year's Copy Editors and Assistant Copy Editors debate over some article. As cheesy as this sounds, I'm proud to know that our section is in good hands once we leave for college.

Some of you might be wondering what copy editing is. Honestly, the first time I heard about it freshman year, I thought it had something to do with making copies of articles or ... whatever is associated with the word 'copy'. Not the case. Instead, we take all of the articles for that issue and make sure they don't sound awkward or have grammatical errors. This may sound boring, but being a part of the copy section of *Argo* has been a highlight of my BLS career. Our section has become so close that the other sections see us as a family within the *Argo* family.

Of course, this amazing year wouldn't have been possible without an amazing team. I'd personally like to thank Uyen for being a great Co-Copy Editor and friend, Yunwei and Roselle for being such awesome and supportive Assistant Copy Editors and our associates and future editors, Anumita, Daniel, Sreeja, and Roger. I'd also like to thank Will Poff and Andy Vo for being the greatest EICs, especially during crunch time. Gerome, you are the greatest honorary Copy/food runner ever in the world. Our stomachs are happy because of your food runs.

This year has been full of ups and downs, but in the end, there's no reason why a dispute can't be solved with a Haiku war (@David Ma). We're just that great.

— Jenn Tran

Hey everybody! Uyen here. First and foremost, I would like to thank everybody who made working for the *Argo* so memorable. I would like to thank my fellow co-Copy Editor, Jenn, for being super compassionate and awesome. I would like to thank our superb assistant, Ross, for being the wingwoman that every editor needs. Most importantly, I hereby give the biggest shout-outs to the CE staff for making magic happen in the computer lab! I would also like to give recognition to Poff Daddy and the rest of the *Argo* staff. Oh yes, and thank you, David Ma, for



# SENIOR SECTION

being my shooting target during caffeine-fueled Final Fridays (I've had my fair share of interdepartmental disputes and coffee runs at odd hours).

What makes the Argo so dear to me are the wonderful relationships that I've made, countless Photobooth spamming in the computer lab and the sheer joy of getting first dibs on the articles. My BLS experience would not have been the same without the Argo. I encourage you all, fellow BLSers, to take advantage of the time you have left at our alma mater and contribute to our excellent newspaper.

- Uyen Le

Small note to the future Copy leaders:

If you ever miss us, look through the pictures on the Photo Mac upstairs. It's like we never left. :)

Let's end this with a little word association: Argo. Final Friday. Pizza. Hide-and-Seek. Crazy. Uyen. Awesome. Will Poff. Apple of my eye. Food runs. Vincent Tang. Copy children<3. Sweat and tears. Haiku War. David Ma. News. "Needs to finish NOW." Argo love. Family. Happiness. World peace.

End World Hunger. Global Warming. Polar bears. Ice caps. Capitalization. Grammar. Copy. Argo.

## Layout

I don't really know what to say... I'm not going to miss BLS. As cold as that may sound, high school in general was an insignificant experience for me, and BLS shoving a pile of work up my ass every night just made me loathe every day I spent here. I'm not going to miss waking up at seven in the morning only to fall asleep in my classes, or cramming for tests the period before, or being a minute late and having to go to tardy detention, or the slop they call school lunch. The only things I'll probably miss are Mr. Harris and my extracurriculars. Despite the Argo sucking away my soul and demanding more attention than any other extracurricular I did, it was loads of fun, and probably the extracurricular I'll miss most. Obviously, this now calls for random short anecdotes that embody the Argo for me.

During our very first issue, we got about a third of the paper done during production week, and met up at JP Licks at 10 A.M. Saturday to finish. We ended up migrating to Poff's house, and I laid out articles until 3 A.M. That's 17 hours straight. The only breaks I had were to eat Indian food and to listen as Reed called Sanchay to ask if we could title his article "Shut up, Sanchay!" We had an Argo sleeper that night... I slept in Poff's bed

(yes, awkward, but I totally deserved it), woke up at 1 P.M., and worked some more until 6 P.M.

Sanchay Jain cannot count, and rarely (probably never, I can't remember) made a proper dummy for me. As a result he became my food run bitch.

In January, Copy threw a surprise birthday party for Jenn Tran, and then I started sulking because my birthday was that week as well, and no one remembered. I hugged Andy Vo and Cindy Wong and almost made Gerome cry. The next day, I had a surprise birthday party!

I played Pokemon during down times on Final Fridays. I almost caught a Chansey but I killed it by accident. :(

During Issue III, we aaaalmost finished on Final Friday, but then the server crashed at 8 or 9 PM and we had to work completely from USB drives. We came in on Saturday, worked for 8 hours (so I guess we weren't that close), and still didn't finish. Poff, Andy Vo and I went to eat at Qdoba afterwards and I found out that Andy Vo likes Taylor Swift, and my opinion of him took a nosedive.

I had a complete breakdown as I was finishing the fourth issue on Saturday, and when I came back at 1 A.M., Poff said these wonderfully comforting words to me: "Welcome back... to hell." Thanks, Poff.

We finished on Final Friday during Issue V! Except we didn't. That's what we

told people, but I still ended up laying out the paper at home, correcting typos, and making edits...

I overheard Reed and Will talking about their terrible writers a lot. Someone confused Scott Brown with Dan Brown; someone else wrote that Obama was planning on giving free healthcare to everybody; someone else wrote "House of the Senate."

I went kayaking yesterday, and then I went shopping at the Cambridgeside Galleria. Only the Argo could make me come back to school at 9 P.M.

I originally hated the Argo because I thought it was stupid. Last year, Cynthia Poon, one of the Layout Editors for '09, recruited me as a Layout Associate because there was no one else who could be Editor for the next year (the only associates at the time were freshmen, and freshmen are smelly). Then I discovered just how much work goes into making one stupid 16-page paper that no one reads, and, more importantly, how much fun it can be. Thank you, Cynthia, for introducing me to this pack of utter nerds, because it will be one of the most memorable things about BLS. So despite destroying my weekends and making me cry... twice... I really love the Argo, and I'm going to miss the free pizza, the jokes, my FOB Fan Club (aka Layout Associates), shouting at Dominick to stop whistling, Andy Vo, and everything

about the Argo (...except the work). Even though I'm going to friggin' Georgia next year, you can bet that I'll visit Mr. Harris, and I might as well visit you guys while I'm here.

-- Faith!



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## To the Class 2010 graduating seniors of the Boston Latin Girls Crew Team

*Marcelle Goggins  
Caroline Kiritsy*

*Beata Colon  
Lucia Bostrom*

*Ellen Keenan  
Michaela Hughes*

*Dora Tao  
Nida Naushad*

Many thanks for your years of hard work, sportsmanship, and competitive spirit. May you look back on these years with great memories, treasure the joy you had working as a team, and the pleasures you brought to all of your fans.

Our best wishes to you in all your future endeavors.

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# A & E Interview

By **ANDY VO, II**  
ASSISTANT EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

**VO: So, how has your schedule been? ‘Cause I know you do things in every sort of field.**

SNYDER: Yep, I have beginning cellos and basses—that’s the only strings that I do this year. I have concert choir and chamber choir. I have beginner trumpets, beginner french horns, beginner percussion and a Junior Jazz Band.

**V: Is there a different mentality that you have to be in for all of that?**

S: Yep, every class is completely different. Every instrument has its own personality, including the singers.

**V: I remember at the beginning of the year kids were saying “We are not instruments,” just because of the way that you taught, so what’s different about band and chorus?**

S: Well, they’re right, and they’re wrong at the same time: they are instruments, and while they might not consider themselves instruments, their voice in itself is an instrument that’s a part of them. And with the voice, I think you just have to relate more to the student than with the instruments. With the instrument, there’s a piece of metal, or a stick, or a piece of wood or whatever in between you and the student—which can be good, or it can be bad. It can be a barrier, or a buffer, or whatever you want to think of it. But with singing, it’s all—everything’s right there in front of you.

**V: So do you prefer that?**

S: I do. Well... *[hesitates]* I do, I do. I don’t know. It’s hard to say. It’s a nice change, but I did enjoy the instrumental.

I thought I was a little rusty, and I went in, and they said, after I was done, “That was really great.” “Okay, thank you?” And they said, “We’d like to videotape you doing that.” “But I’m DONE,

same two years in a row...once?

**V: So you’ve just had to adapt every single year?**

S: Some years, there’s Music Theory 1, but never consecutively. One year, I had an orchestra—it was a really good orchestra, in fact, it had some people who are graduating this year: Song Wen and Tao, who’s not here anymore but that group. But yeah, it’s a lot of adapting, and learning new techniques or brushing up on new techniques I haven’t used in a while.

**V: What was the first day of school like for you, replacing Mr. Charig? Do you think there were any expectations or was it tough getting through the transition of the first day?**

S: Um, I don’t think it was because I think I was in the same boat as the students were. In the choir? Is that what you mean? *[interviewer nods]* For the theory class, I was already teaching theory and those students didn’t have him for music theory so that wasn’t really taking over his position. But for the choir, it was kind of like we’d come into the same room. And he was—and still is—one of my best friends, so it wasn’t like I said, “Thank God he’s gone! I’m glad he got fired, I wanted his job.” I mean, of all things that could have come from it, if he can’t have a job here, I’m more than happy I can pick up where he left off. Challenge or not, it was sad to see Mr. Charig leave. The upside of it *[though]* was that I got to work with the choir and continue what he started.



MR. SNYDER IN ACTION

**V: Just a bit off topic, but there’s a pretty famous videotape of you at Berklee. *[Snyder laughs]* Was it a final?**

S: Heh, it was a proficiency test. You have to play some woodwind instrument and a brass instrument, a solo on your own instrument, and you have to make a general lesson plan, as if you were teaching a general music class for high school. Anyway, it’s like a jury and all of your professors and even some you’ve never met before sit in this room and watch you and just ask you questions.

*[laughs]* I don’t want to do it again.” “Well, if you come back next week, we can just videotape it even in parts.” and I thought they were just harassing me at first, but I think even to this day, it’s the demonstration of what people should be doing when they go into the proficiency *[test]*.

**V: And just from then onwards, how do you think you’ve changed in this year alone?**

S: Over the years, I don’t know, I think my schedule might have been the

## The World of Poetry

By **AURELIA PAQUETTE, IV**  
STAFF WRITER

Do you like writing or performing poetry? If so, there are a lot of great opportunities here at Boston Latin School, including The Register, the Spoken Word Club and Poetry out Loud. Maybe you have heard about some of these opportunities but didn’t look into them because you didn’t feel fully informed or were intimidated. But after reading this article, you should feel much more ready to jump into the world of poetry at BLS.

The Register, our school’s art and literature magazine, is an ideal stepping-stone for the student poet eager for publication. But many students who would otherwise submit pieces may be nervous that the Editorial Board will not like their writing. To all those who have thought something like that in the past, here is the truth: they may not choose to include one of your pieces, but you have nothing to lose. If you aren’t sure what type of poem you should submit, Mr. Mulhern, a faculty advisor to The Register, reminds us that, “the editorial board looks for poetry that is meaningful.” But what is meaningful? Mr. Mulhern observes that students tend to write about love, loss, sacrifice and disillusionment with the world. He adds, “There are a lot of very talented young poets in these hallways, and I strongly encourage anyone with an interest in poetry to get involved with The Register.”

Perhaps you are attracted to the idea of reading your poetry out loud for an audience. If so, you should consider joining Spoken Word, the new student-run group in which students write together, share

ideas and meet in workshops to improve their skills. They also prepare for Spoken Word shows, where the students perform their original poetry for an audience. Co-president Elle Gomes-Almeida (III) explains, “What I like about Spoken Word is the ability to write anything, express my emotions freely, and not be judged for the content of my poetry.”

“You should definitely try it out,” member Justin Singletary (III) adds. “Being in the environment helped me evolve.”

Finally, if you are interested in performing the work of others, you should check out Poetry Out Loud. POL is a nationwide competition in which high school students perform two of over six hundred pre-selected poems. Students compete first in their school, then in their state and ultimately in the National Finals in Washington, D.C. Each state winner receives 200 dollars and an all-expenses-paid trip to D.C., where students can win up to 20,000 dollars. Many students from BLS have been successful in POL. Most recently, Michelle Principi (II), who was a finalist at states, received an official citation from the State Senate of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. As Ms. Moran, administrator of POL at BLS, explains, “BLS students are naturals for Poetry Out Loud. With their experience in declamation, BLS students know how to interpret, memorize and deliver a text clearly and expressively. So, in terms of competitive readiness, our students are well situated to shine.”

As you can see, BLS is a happening place for poets and poetry lovers. If you are interested in poetry, don’t wait to take advantage of the fantastic opportunities available here!

## Lost Finale

By **ZOE CUIPYLO-WATKINS, II**  
STAFF WRITER

In 2004, roughly 70 survivors of Oceanic Flight 815, traveling from Sydney to Los Angeles, found themselves Lost on an apparently deserted island. Six seasons later in the hit show Lost, the survivors are still trying to get off the island in the finale, aptly titled “The End.”

In a ‘surprise’ twist that turns out to be a big shock to exactly no one, Jack, the show’s main character, has become protector of the light that represents all the goodness in the world. If snuffed out, it would allow evil to take over the world. Jack and Smokey, who is the source of all evil and wears the face of Jack’s old rival, Locke, are trapped in a surprisingly peaceful conflict. This rivalry comes to an end, however, when Jack succeeds in killing Smokey with the help of Desmond, another character, who creates a diversion by turning the light off. Unfortunately, once the light is off, Jack must sacrifice himself to turn it back on. With this sacrificial act, Hurley becomes the new protector, and the rest of the survivors make it off the island.

Meanwhile, the finale jumps to and from an alternate universe, where the alternate Desmond has “memories” of the island and is running around trying to “wake up” the other Losties. Some are woken up to be reunited with their loved ones, and others are able to come to terms with the issues they encountered while on the island. Once awakened, they all make their way to the

same pan-religious temple. We discover that the alternate universe was actually purgatory, where they were waiting to all be reunited in order to move on to the afterlife. Since time does not exist in this purgatory, they all lived their lives on The Island of the alternate universe until the time when they were all ready to move on together.

Lost left us with many poignant moments, amazing episodes and memorable characters. Sawyer’s nicknames, Michael yelling “Waaaaaaaaaaaalt!” into the jungle and that one refrain from Driveshaft’s “You All Everybody,” which was literally only the words “you all everybody” — these are the things that will stay with us, not whatever mixed feelings we had about the finale. Lost has its own special place in American television, because it was so different from anything ever seen before.

Lost was given that rare privilege, usually reserved for shows such as Battlestar Galactica, of getting to end the show on its own terms, rather than getting canceled between seasons or told mid-season that it had run its course. This gave the writers a chance to wrap it up in a way they thought best, even if many fans did not agree. It took me a few re-watches, but I have come to like the finale. It returns to what, at its core, kept viewers coming back to Lost — the mysteries and the characters. While the amount of leftover loose ends is still frustrating, I think it would have been worse if everything had been neatly tied up. Lost has always defied expectations, and we would not have it any other way.



# A & E

## Summer Fashion

By **OLIVIA GRANT, I**  
STAFF WRITER



This summer everyone wants to look good from head to toe. Fortunately, looking good has never been so easy. With the motto of less is more, you have no excuses to look drab this season.

*Makeup:*

This season’s makeup is extremely simple. It is all about the skin this summer. The goal is to have perfect skin with a tanned, dewy tint to it. For those with a paler complexion, the baby-doll look with fresh rosy cheeks is a particularly popular choice. Women who have a deep complexion should opt for a simple, glossy lip. Foundation and bronzer should be on everyone’s list of must-haves for the summer, and for a more

made up look, a classic red lip or a colorful spin on the traditional smoky eye works wonders. These makeup options are sleek yet simple and are a perfect addition to breezy summer nights.

*Hair:*

This summer is the summer for chopping off the locks. Many celebrities are choosing to go short; just a few of whom are Halle Berry, Hayden Panettiere and Janet Jackson. For those who choose to don long flowing hair, however, you are in luck! In keeping up with the “less is more” motto for this summer, long hair should be in a funky ponytail or updo or loose waves. Fun ponytails and creative updos can be accomplished with quirky decorations like neon headbands and cute hair clips. Loose waves can be created in many ways including braids, natural waves after hitting the beach or a roller set. Regardless, if you keep it sweet and simple, you will look flawless this summer,

*Nails:*

Nails are very important in the summertime. No one wants to rock a cute pair of flip-flops, only to have them marred with ugly toenails. When getting a pedicure, make sure to try some fun bright colors. Pinks, reds and oranges seem to be particularly popular these days. Nude fingertips have also made a comeback in notable collections like Marc Jacobs, Louis Vuitton and Valentino. This nude, simplistic palette for nails is a great starting point to layer on the trends for summer 2010.

*Bathing Suits:*

This season has seen an increase in crazy patterns of which one-pieces with distinct cutouts, bandeau tops and mixed sets of bikinis are just a few. Calvin Klein’s collection shows a nice variety of prints and various silhouettes as does Marc Jacob’s and Guess’. For cover-up ideas, do not be afraid to try light sweaters and jackets, especially those with pops of color. For footwear, if flip-flops are not your thing, try a show-stopping high top, metallic sneaker or a colorful strappy sandal. With a great swimsuit, a comfy cover up and gorgeous shoes, you will definitely turn heads at the beach.

*Peasant Tops:*

Peasant tops have been making a comeback this summer. The beautiful flowing blouses are usually coupled with a pair of fitted denim shorts. Sonia Rykiel has a nice collection of blouses and dresses with many colors and cuts inspired by peasant tops. These tops are great because they are light, airy and can make anyone look beautiful as long as it is paired with the right bottoms and accessories. Fortunately, peasant tops can be mixed with almost anything, so the opportunities here are endless.

*Prints and Patterns:*

Many summer 2010 collections have seen a resurgence in prints and patterns. This time around, the focus is not necessarily on the cut of the clothes but the patterns used to create them. Zac Posen’s

collection has an array of eye-popping colors and interesting prints and patterns in his clothing. It is easy to tell that this collection is inspired by the sixties, which is famous for its bold, geometric prints. Do not be afraid to try wild prints and patterns. If you want to mix prints, make sure to stick to a single color palette. Remember the motto – less is more.

This summer’s fashion is that of a minimalist, yet this does not mean there is no room for experimentation. In fact, it is quite the opposite. Try on prints, bright colors and flowing tops with shorts. Just stay cool and classy this summer and you are guaranteed to look amazing from head to toe.



By **BIANCA SAUNDERS, I**  
STAFF WRITER

It was a bittersweet reunion on Memorial Day weekend as fans lined up to see the “Fab Four” back on the big screen. Of course, it was marvelous to see the trendy quartet we all know and love from the long-running HBO series and first hit movie back in action. Quicker than you can say Manolo Blahniks, it became apparent that the creators were eager to take one last dip in the Sex and the City franchise’s money pool, but they just may have lost touch with all that once made Sex and the City great.

If one thinks about the “blueprints” to the movie, it might be apparent that it had a lot of potential. It has been two years since we last saw them, and the Four are facing new problems. Carrie (Sarah Jessica Parker) begins to write about the “terrible twos” when she finds that Mr. Big (Chris Noth) and she are becoming one of those “old, boring, married couples” and has a unexpected run-in with ex-flame, Aidan Shaw (John Corbett). Charlotte (Kristin Davis) likewise begins to experience the “terrible twos” when her daughters, two-year old Rose and older sister Lily, have become more work than she bargained

for and is nervous that her husband may cheat with the intimidatingly good looking new nanny. Meanwhile, Miranda’s (Cynthia Nixon) male-chauvinist boss subdues her talents and keeps her from her family, and the cougar Samantha Jones (Kim Cattrall) herself is battling menopause. Even better, Samantha’s career in Public Relations gets the Four invited to a lavish getaway in Abu Dabi, in the Middle East, giving the producers the chance to perhaps assemble a genuine theme about women in different cultures. Sadly though, the writers fell through, overlooking these opportunities.

This sorry excuse for a sequel was unpromising right from the start, but what I did like was Stanford’s marriage to Anthony. From there on, the rest of the movie was as equally bizarre and choppy as a cameo with Liza Minnelli as a minister, lacking any genuine human emotion considering all of the problems it proposed. The writers failed to mold all of the issues they wanted to include into a plausible story line, such as the return of Carrie’s old flame, Aidan, whom she “coincidentally” meets in a market in Abu Dabi during the call to prayer. Carrie has brief doubts, but like everything else crammed into this failed blockbuster, those are quickly resolved without any

true concern. The girls agreed to the trip to forget to their troubles, and the writers did too. Upon the conclusion of the film, they returned to both New York City and their problems. Everything, however, was magically solved despite the fact that their issues had not been confronted face-to-face for more than half the film—if only real life could work out so inexplicably.

The plot was sadly unrealistic for its environment as well. It is notable that the Middle East is conservative and that sexuality in public is punishable by imprisonment or worse, which the movie does somewhat touch upon. That, however, does not seem to have stopped these fashionistas from donning revealing outfits (however, I was a little let down by Carrie’s style in general) and promiscuity in public. At one point, Samantha is even shown shouting “I have sex” and waving condoms around to a group of Middle Eastern men angrily surrounding her. Not to worry, though, the day is saved by a group of Arab women in burkas, who hide the Four and reveal that they secretly wear the latest in the Dior fashion line. It seems that the writers were attempting to make a statement here, but the entire scene erred down the path of missed opportunity and even disrespect towards Middle Eastern culture.

The actors and actresses themselves were charming as always, remaining true to their characters, but their talents were suppressed by the frightening amount of lame puns and superficial “chick flick” lines that they had to say. The rapid solutions to their problems prohibited the characters from being able to learn and grow from their troubles, the trick that made the series and original movie so magical. The two actresses from the Fab Four who dazzled this time around, however, were Nixon and Davis, as they shared a short-lived tear-jerker moment chatting about the woes of motherhood. The movie also neglected to give the other regulars, such as Steve, Stanford, Harry and Mr. Big the screen time they deserved.

One may find it blindingly ironic that the basis of Carrie’s writings throughout the movie was the “Terrible Twos,” as this was indeed a terrible two. Like most sequels, it possessed a lot of potential for true emotion and complexity as a continuation of a popular story line, which the writers were more than willing to sacrifice in exchange for a lavish and flashy location to bring in the big bucks. My advice? Skip on the sequel and buy the season DVD’s because otherwise, you’re not getting the true Sex and the City.

## Horoscopes

By **BERNADETTE PHAM, II**  
& **CINDY WONG, II**  
STAFF WRITERS

Aries (March 21 - April 19): Smell that? It’s the sweet stench of success. Or revenge. Or dirty gym socks. Or... what exactly have you been up to?

Taurus (April 20 - May 20): In case you’re out of iPads, you could always resort to the iTampons, which could also be used for nosebleeds (Beckham does it all the time).

Gemini (May 21 - June 20): You’re

beautiful. Words (from your Formspring) can’t bring you down.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): If you feel like you’re having a bad day, at least you’re not a part of the Westboro Baptist Church.

Leo (July 23 - August 22): If someone addresses you as their Soul Sister and asks you if that’s Mr. Mister on the Radio, reply by saying “No, that would be Missus Lady (Gaga)... wh3Re u bEEEn?”

Virgo (August 23 - September 22): It’s about time you start working on that New Year’s Resolution of yours, don’t you think?

Libra (September 23 - October 22):

There’s nothing you can do. Now you’re at BLS. These classes will make you feel blue. These loads of homework will not inspire you. Let’s hear it for BLS, BLS, BLS.

Scorpio (October 23 - November 21): Next time you want to try borrowing a pen and not return it, at least ask a pessimist. They won’t expect to get it back.

Sagittarius (November 22 - December 21): If you haven’t improved your text talk yet, you should really consider it. “OMG I G2G SFMTLOI” doesn’t cut it anymore (Not a lot of people know that SFMT means ‘Study for Math Test’). Give the more formal, proper

communication a try. It’ll save you some time when writing essays for school.

Capricorn (December 22 - January 20): Avoid breaking that twenty-dollar bill at all costs because if you do break it, you’ll end up broke sooner rather than later.

Aquarius (January 21 - February 18): Go ahead and put those ‘Wanted’ posters up. Maybe somebody who has seen it will call and help you find it. You’ve recently lost it. It’s called ‘the Game.’

Pisces (February 19 - March 20): Fish are friends, not food. Clearly, the Mediterranean Diet is not for you.



Well, you may have been wondering about this shiny new page of the Argo. “Goodness,” you probably thought. “Since when has BLS become so obsessed with food that they had to have a page in the Argo about it?” The answer to that question is, of course, “Always!” It was not until last month that this chubby baby section was birthed through the combined efforts of several obsessed gourmands (who are also apparently pretentious enough to call themselves gourmands). After the initial shock of this new arrival, our (former) editor-in-chief quickly realized that denying paternity would only result in criminal charges of abandonment. So here, at last, is the newest member of the Argo family, focused on what we consider to be one of the most important, entertaining and enjoyable parts of life!

# Food’s ESPN

By ROBERT FITZPATRICK, III  
FORUM EDITOR

As Americans’ waistbands have been increasing, so has Americans’ affinity for watching food. The newest craze in television is food shows. While educational food shows have been around for over 30 years, mainly due to Julia Child, we are now moving away from watching food shows to learning how to cook, and are watching them for fun instead.

The demographic of these informative food shows has gone from housewives trying to master how to braise lamb shanks, to the pleasantly plump who prefer lounging on the couch all day to being outside. We don’t know why, but watching Paula Deen turn a ham into a deep fried hunk of deliciousness is a lot more fun than getting dressed and seeing friends. Having tried out a few of the recipes that I saw on Food Network, I have come to the conclusion that it is, in fact, better to watch a beef tenderloin with a balsamic vinaigrette reduction being made than it is to make your own. These shows, however, cater mainly to our lazy selves; instead of becoming motivated to jump up and become the next Barefoot Contessa, we become more and more resigned to being sleepily interested instead. That is when Alton Brown came into the picture and changed Food Network forever.

Alton Brown went to the New England Culinary Institute, not with the intent of becoming a chef, but of having a cooking show. He wanted to make cooking shows better. Instead of the hour-long lectures delivered over food that these shows had become, Alton envisioned a show that was not only funny, but explained the science behind cooking as well. He said that he wanted a program that was Monty Python, Bill Nye the Science Guy and Julia Child rolled into one, and the result was his hit show Good Eats. With Alton Brown as an example, other chefs with cooking shows looked to be funny as well as informational. This allowed cooking to be more of a spectacle than a mundane learning experience. After Alton Brown’s successful show, Food Network went on a mission to revolutionize their network and make all shows just as entertaining and informative. No one, however, knew that food would become a sport.

Japan was the first place to make food a sport. Out of Japan’s love for odd game shows, there came a show that pitted one man’s culinary genius against

another’s: Iron Chef. A blatant breach of the average cooking show, Iron Chef has no educational value whatsoever, featuring two world-class chefs battling each other for the title of Iron Chef. This title is only received after having one hour to cook five courses, all of which incorporate that episode’s secret ingredient. The reason for this show’s appeal is getting to see the stress and skill that comes with cooking under extreme pressure. We see the chefs running across the “arena” to grab their ingredients, sweat pouring down their faces, while the panel of judges critiques them, similar to Olympic gymnastics. With this show’s descent on America, a wave of non-educational food shows quickly followed suit.

Other networks saw that Americans love food and they love reality television, so they made the wise decision to combine both genres into a wondrous hybrid. In 2005, Fox Network made a show that mixed Survivor, American Idol, Big Brother and Iron Chef, Hell’s Kitchen. It’s a show that sees which chef can last the longest, abused by a very snooty Brit, with time after their challenges to mingle in their dorm. Then, in 2006, Bravo created Top Chef. This show, also a competition, endeavors to see which chef can “out-cook” the others. It has a different setting every season to excite the inner traveler in us all. Although these shows make food a spectator sport with us rooting for chefs from our couches, there is a new show that indulges our inner muumuu-wearing selves.

If Iron Chef, Hell’s Kitchen, and Top Chef teach us nothing about cooking, they at least get us rooting for a team and feeling some sort of loyalty to a chef. With Guy Fieri’s Diners, Drive-Ins, and Dives, nothing is gained. In Diners, Drive-Ins, and Dives, we follow Mr. Fieri as he travels the country looking for hidden jewels of the restaurant world. We get to look at the best “greasy spoons” and all of their high-calorie dishes. That’s it. We get to feast with our eyes, not learning a thing about cooking, for 30 incredible minutes. Food Network has figured us out again. They realized we need a break from all of the excitement that we get from Iron Chef. As gourmands, we aren’t used to watching so much action, so they know that we need some down time where we can sit and watch food being consumed by people everywhere. At the end of the day, we are ALL lazy people who like to just look at food. We’re Americans!

# Delicious Dish

By AMELIA BURKE, I  
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## In Praise of Dates:

Hey guys! This is your local weird-food lover in the new section where we try ever so hard to get you to love an outcast food: the awkward lonely vegetable, who sits alone in the lunchroom, dreaming of the day when his name isn’t constantly besmirched just because of his strange appearance or relative scarceness in local supermarkets. One such food (a fruit actually, so a little closer to the cool kids table) is the date. Dates have been cultivated since Mesopotamia. Yeah, this is not in the current events section of the Argo; they’re in the food section because they’re freakin’ delicious! These sumptuous, tender and ever-so-sweet bad boys of the fruit family can improve anything. Really. I challenge you to find one food that could not be improved with the addition of these small brown beauties. Just this morning (since I was feeling like an old woman) I put one in some yoghurt, and it was (dare I say it?) sen-date-tional! So really guys, try out these babies. You won’t regret it. Check our featured recipe for more info, and enjoy!

These are all cheap, sketchy, delicious, hole-in-the wall places:

**Allston/Brighton:** On 141 Brighton Ave, the street that continues off of Comm Ave, is Zaps Boston! Zaps are open-faced sandwiches, originating in Poland. They are more like a long flatbread pizza without sauce. They are 16 inches of thin, fluffy dough, covered with anything from cheese and mushrooms (the Traditional) to cheese, mushroom, kielbasa and onion (the Polish). These 16 inch Zaps only cost 7.00 dollars with a drink and chips. This eat is not only cheap, but it’s huge!

**Central Square:** Probably the best known dive in the city, Moody’s Falafel Palace (25 Central Square located right across from the Red Line stop) has quickly become an institution. They have standard Middle Eastern fare, but a couple of items rise above and beyond, most noticeably their lentil soup. Forget all the notions you might have about lentil soup. This lemony liquid-deliciousness is only three dollars and fifty cents and comes with a small mountain of pita bread on the side. The Lamb Shawarma is also a killer at only five bucks. They’re also open ’til 3 A.M. from Thursday to Saturday!

**Chinatown:** Royal Palace Restaurant II, off the beaten track at 70 Tyler St in Chinatown, isn’t much to look at, but its cheap, enormous helpings of darned good food make it “eccentric” as opposed to “sketchy.” It gets really crowded around lunch hour, but their Yee Mein and fresh made juices are definitely worth waiting for.

**Coolidge Corner:** Berry Freeze. I know, not really a food place, but if you’re feeling a craving for some Frozen Yogurt and don’t want to spend six bucks, this is definitely the place to go. You pay 35 cents per ounce, and you can even pick your own flavor and combinations. It’s self-serve, so if you want pineapple yogurt, mixed with chocolate and then doused in rainbow Fruity Pebbles and kiwi, go for it! The guys behind the counter don’t judge.

**Dorchester:** Singh’s Roti Shop (at 692 Columbia Road, easily accessible from the JFK Red Line stop) is the top tier for West Indian cuisine in Boston. Thank god it’s also dirt cheap! The signature roti may cost around \$8, but they can feed three people easily. I’m not joking. These delicious wraps are made with moist homemade bread and are filled to the brim with curried deliciousness. The icing on the cake? Their sweet and flaky currant rolls.

**Jamaica Plain:** La Pupusa Guanaca (378 Centre Street) sells mouth-watering Salvadoran food at under five bucks. Definitely try the plantains and anything else you can get your hands on. Not always fast, but well worth the wait.

**Roslindale:** I know, I know, Fornax Bread (27 Corinth Street in Roslindale Square) isn’t exactly a hole in the wall, but in a part of town with few places to get great food, Fornax is a shining star. Next time you feel like carbo-loading, have some of their not-too-sweet buttermilk biscuits, homemade graham crackers and even their savory breads.

**West Roxbury:** Viva Mi Arepa (5197 Washington Street near the Dedham mall) is small, hot and delicious, serving authentic Venezuelan food (their signature arepas are to die for!) with really friendly service. Rock bottom prices (only \$3.50 for an arepa!) make this place perfect.

# Banana-Date-Walnut Muffin Recipe

*As promised, here is our delectable suggestion, featuring the lovely (if misunderstood) fruit, dates:*



2 cups flour (or, if you’re so inclined, 1 cup whole wheat flour and 3/4 cup white flour) 1 tablespoon baking powder 1 pinch of salt 1 teaspoon cinnamon (or more!) 1/3 cup sugar (Brown always tastes better, but any sugar will do!) 3 very ripe bananas, mashed (about 1-1/4 cups) 1/2 cup milk (or vanilla soymilk – then these are vegan!) 1/3 cup apple sauce

2 tablespoons honey or molasses (do you want it to be light and sweet, in which case, philistines, go for the honey, or more dark and savory) 1/4 cup chopped dates 1/4 cup chopped walnuts

Preheat your oven to 400°F, (Fahrenheit folks; this is not Europe!) and spray a muffin pan with non-stick spray or butter. Mix all of the dry ingredients except the sugar in one bowl, and in another, mix the bananas, sugar and liquids.

Pour the ever so sweet-smelling banana mixture into the flour mixture, and stir to your heart’s content! Add in the dates and walnuts, and pour the mixture into 12 muffin cups. Bake for 15-20 minutes, use a toothpick to test them (it should come out of the muffin clean if they’re done!) and serve to your ravenous friends in exchange for their immortal souls.

Adapted (with love!) from one of my favorite bloggers, Fat-free Vegan Kitchen. Don’t hate it because it sounds so healthy, guys – these recipes are AMAZING!



SPORTS

Versus

Kobe Bryant Vs. LeBron James



By **Matt Duhaime, II**  
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Kobe Bryant is the best player in the National Basketball Association and has been for many years now. Recently, there has been speculation that LeBron James is a better basketball player. This is erroneous. James is a great player, but his success and skill are still under Bryant’s.

Many say that players are measured by their number of championships. Bryant has four rings with a chance for a fifth while LeBron, even after being the favorite to win this season, still has no championships. Some people say that Bryant would not have won three of his championships without Shaquille O’Neal; I would like to ask those same people when was the last time a championship was won without a dominant big man. Nevertheless, if you take away those three championships, Bryant still has one while James still has zero.

One of Bryant’s aspects in which he will always have an advantage over James is his toughness. In this year’s playoffs, James was suffering from a bruised elbow, an injury that caused him to lose the ability to overpower players to the rim. His level of play severely declined and he seemed to mentally withdraw halfway through the series, proving that he was not able to overcome this adversity. Bryant, meanwhile, has had a broken finger for most of the season, which still has not completely healed. He is also burdened by a high ankle sprain, an injury which never heals completely. Kobe has never made an excuse for these injuries and has played with them all the way to the NBA Finals.

Most attribute Bryant’s success to the teams for which he has played. There is no getting around that he has had a great supporting cast for the most part of his career. LeBron’s Cleveland Cavaliers are not too far behind. With all-stars such as Moe Williams and Antwan Jamison, the Cavs was the favorite to win the NBA Championships. That goal was not accomplished, giving Bryant another chance to widen the gap between LeBron and himself and closing the gap between Michael Jordan and himself. This is because Bryant understands how to lead his teams and take charge when needed.

Looking closely at basketball skills, James is still defeated. Bryant is a better shooter, a better ball handler, a better defender, a better passer (though the triangle offense does not allow for high assist numbers) and is arguably the most clutch player ever. The only aspects of the game for which James has the advantage are things that have to do with athletic ability. LeBron is unarguably the best athlete in the NBA and is a freak of nature. He is 6 feet 8 inches with a 7 foot wingspan and the ability to “jump out of the gym”. This gives him an advantage in things such as rebounds, blocks and the ability to get to the basket. If you are starting a franchise you might take James (I would take Kevin Durant). If your wish is to win the current best basketball player in the world then it is Kobe “The Black Mamba” Bryant.

Bryant’s toughness was best shown when he was faced with legal troubles. During the 2003-2004 playoffs, Bryant had to miss some time to be in Colorado court for his sexual assault trial. He had been in Colorado for two days and arrived at the Staples Center two hours before the start of game four in the Western Conference Semifinals. Not fazed by all of these distractions, Bryant scored 42 points in the game leading the Los Angeles Lakers to victory.

By **Ryan Connelly, II**  
Contributing Writer

LeBron James is not only the center of the basketball world, but also the entire world of sports. This is a title formerly held by Kobe Bryant. Kobe Bryant and LeBron James traveled parallel paths to sports stardom; they both were highly publicized high school players. Every National Basketball Association manager eagerly wanted the two players, intending to shape their teams’ futures around the phenoms. They were both selected number one in the NBA draft and went to teams in different situations. This is where their paths differ.

Kobe Bryant, right from the start, was on a playoff caliber team. After three years as a reserve, he was 21 and had a team with great expectations. In his fourth year, he won the NBA title with teammates Shaquille O’Neal and Derek Fisher, and after that season, he won two more titles. LeBron had to try and win with a mediocre starting lineup and with no one on the bench to help out. LeBron had a chance in 2007, when he made it to the championship series, but lost in four straight games against San Antonio.

It took Kobe years to truly be a starter after only starting 57 games in three years, while LeBron started all 79 games that he played in the year after coming out of high school. LeBron, throughout his first six years in the NBA, has averaged 27.8 points compared to Kobe’s 19.5 points in his first six seasons as a Laker. Kobe’s career average in points is 27.5, which is on par with LeBron’s point average, but LeBron’s seven rebounds and assists per game in his career are far superior to Kobe’s 4.7 assists and 5.3 rebounds per game. LeBron also beats Kobe in playoff statistics with 29 points, 8 rebounds and 7 assists per game as opposed to Kobe’s 25 points, 5 rebounds and 5 assists per game.

People may argue that Kobe is better because he has four championships compared to zero for LeBron, but Kobe also has had more talented players to rely on. When you think of all the big shots that the Lakers have made in the playoffs, think of players like Robert Horry, Derek Fisher and Shaquille O’Neal. Kobe has definitely made big shots in the playoffs, but so has LeBron; it all comes down to the supporting cast, which LeBron doesn’t have.

Looking at statistics, the ring-less King has yet another edge over Kobe. In the playoffs, LeBron shoots a higher percentage from the field with 46% over Kobe’s 44%. The difference is deceiving, given the fact that both of them are the centers of offense, and 2% could be literally hundreds of shots. LeBron also leads Kobe in scoring, blocks, assists and rebounds in the playoffs.

LeBron is six feet and eight inches tall and weighs 250 pounds, which is the height of a center in basketball as well as the weight of a football player. He can run a 4.4 second forty-meter dash, which would put many track stars to shame. He sees the court just as well as a point guard; he blocks shots and rebounds as well as a center, has one of the best shots out of all shooting guards and can post up a player and score on them. He can play all positions on the court and still be unselfish with the ball, giving it up for others to score. Kobe is one of the best to have ever played in the NBA, but when all is said and done, LeBron James will be the best to have ever played the game.

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“Lebron James—he’s so ballin!”  
—Catherine Mazzarella, I



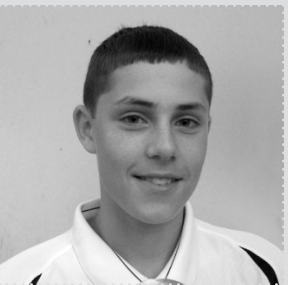
“Lebron because he does it all himself and doesn’t need help from anyone else.”  
—Jake Urso, II



“Lebron James because he doesn’t play for the Lakers.”  
—Anika Lamb, III



“Kobe Bryant because I like the Lakers and he played really well.”  
—Julianna Horgan, IV



“Lebron because he’s a better player.”  
—Mike Theriault, V



“Lebron because I don’t like Kobe because of the rivalry.”  
—Seth Tilden, VI



# Sports Strong Start for Sox

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On the first night of the 2010 baseball season, the Boston Red Sox defeated their arch rivals, the New York Yankees, in a glorious victory at Fenway Park. After that first game, Sox fans had renewed faith that their favorite team would prove to be tough competition in the American League East. What ultimately followed was far from what was expected.

The Red Sox is currently ranked at fourth place in the AL East, behind New York, Tampa and surprisingly Toronto. After choosing not to resign Jason Bay in the offseason, the Red Sox have struggled in both run-scoring and defense, while also struggling to overcome many injuries to key players only weeks into the action of the season. New additions to the team, John Lackey, Adrian Beltre and Mike Cameron, have not performed up to the high standards which Sox fans anticipate. Lackey has had a less than stellar record and does not seem to deserve the five-year, \$2.5 million dollar contract signed in the offseason. Adrian Beltre, another new acquisition, has performed well at the plate. Beltre, however, was brought in for his defensive play and already has made many errors playing third base. Mike

Cameron has suffered from an abdominal strain, which has limited him to very few games so far this season. Although these players have underperformed, the team

runs and a copious amount of runs batted in. It seems now as if Ortiz has recovered from a disappointing 2009 season and is regaining his excellent

contract does not always have the best numbers on the team.

Last year, the production of Jason Varitek declined and as a result, the team acquired Victor Martinez. This year, Varitek has accepted his new role as backup catcher and has been very productive. Not playing every day allows the Captain to stay healthy and have better production hitting. Though Varitek does not catch every starting pitcher, it is obvious that pitchers like Daisuke Matsuzaka and Josh Beckett prefer Varitek as catcher over Victor Martinez.

The Red Sox have been playing better as of late, but there are still a lot of games left to be played. Both the Yankees and Tampa Bay Rays are playing great baseball so the Red Sox must finish the season strong.

The remaining schedule includes a visit to Fenway Park by the Los Angeles Dodgers, which will be the first time Manny Ramirez has played at Fenway after being traded to the Dodgers two years ago. Many fans will be excited to see the latest episode of Manny being Manny. In order for the Red Sox to play in October, they need to get healthy and play well for the next four months. If not, they will miss the playoffs for the first time since 2006.



ORTIZ WATCHES ANOTHER HOMER FLY OUT OF THE PARK

has had many bright spots.

Going into the season, controversy revolved around how much playing time David Ortiz and Mike Lowell would receive at the designated hitter position. Ortiz started the season in a terrible slump, whereas Mike Lowell played well (considering that he mostly played when a left handed pitcher started). In the month of May, however, Ortiz has been hitting successfully with ten home

form from seasons' past. Another controversial topic was whether the Red Sox would try to acquire a superstar slugger like Adrian Gonzalez from the San Diego Padres. This would mean that the Red Sox would have to trade a top young prospect like Clay Bucholz. Bucholz has one of the lowest contracts on the team and has been the most consistent pitcher all season. This goes to show that the player with the highest

# Champions Don't Need Excuses

By **KYLE FLATTERY, II**  
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The gun fires and cuts through the crowd. As the spectators are hushed into silence, the pounding of shoes upon the ground builds momentum. The voice of the masses gradually swells, the runners enter their first turn, parents and coaches shout instructions at their gifted athletes, runners jockey for positions as they enter the final turn, suspense builds, tensions grow, a runner emerges from the pack at the last second. What colors do you think flash over the finish line? Purple and white.

Outdoor track has always been a successful spring sport for Boston Latin School. For years, runners like Nick D'Agostino (II), Kathleen Mello (II) and Matt Cronin (I) have dedicated their time and effort to make our school known across the state. Although the runners are separated into sprinting and distance teams, they are a close-knit, friendly group of people who never brag about their countless victories in events. They have a right to brag too. At the freshman/sophomore meet a few weeks

ago, Wilhelmina Moen (III) finished in second place for the 400 meters. At the same meet, Mike Ward (IV) had a time of 4:45 for the one mile event – an incredible accomplishment for our school. They are both runners who will become leaders of the outdoor track team in years to come.

Athletes such as these could not reach their current level without the dedication and support of the outdoor track coaches. Coach McCullum is not just a smart coach, but a good man who always knows the right thing to say to his players when they are feeling down. Coach Meagher is a dedicated man with a hands-on approach. Coach Taylor of the sprinting team is no exception. She motivates her team to help it reach its full potential, and she gets to know every one of her runners. Coach Taylor was a back-up runner for the Jamaican relay team at the 2008 Beijing Olympics. This means that our

track team can learn from a woman with a tremendous amount of experience. “We are so lucky to have such a great coach. Any success we’ve had as a



EMMA RICE (II) LEADS THE PACK

team is because of her,” says Emma Rice (II). Emma herself has proven to be a valuable part of the outdoor track team. At the championships, she came in first place for her event. At another meet, she came in second, only losing by 1/1000 of

a second. When time is measured in the thousandths of a second, you know it is fast. Jake Goldklang (II) understands how she feels. He missed the qualifying time

for his event by just 0.9 seconds. It is not, however, just sprinting that has become notable for Track and Field. Our school possesses 3 athletes with a sub-5-minute mile. Important members of the distance squad are also Gabe Paradis (II), Miles Grover (II) and Elza Lambers (II) – all known for their incredible endurance. A future track star can be seen in Zach Meszoely (VI), who has a promising future for our already

invulnerable outdoor track team.

Summer training is coming up soon for our runners, and the Dual County League will once again experience the flash of purple across the finish line. Godspeed Boston Latin. Godspeed.

# Young but They Know What They're Doing

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The Boston Latin School Boy's Tennis team might become the most successful sports team this year at BLS. Led by coach Herb 'The Berb' Chenel, the tennis team has been very successful for the past several years. When other schools see BLS on their schedule, most think that they are ready to crush us; this team, however, is changing that reputation of lameness. After two early losses to Dual County League force, Concord Carlisle, the team began dominating everything in their path. With wins over Acton Boxborough and Westford, the team knew that they had

left their mark on the other DCL programs. With a close win over Lincoln Sudbury, the team made the state tournament once again and plan to finish strongly there. Their 14-5 season record gives them a good reason to head into the state tournament with plenty of confidence and positive energy.

The young BLS Tennis team consists of many freshmen and sophmores, all expecting the next few years to be spectacular. The only senior on the team, Pat Gibbons(I), has had success on the tennis team for many years, and he has been a leader to all of the younger members on the team. Gibbons is the team's top player, and his leadership has brought the Wolfpack over into one of the elite programs in the Dual County

League. A fearless competitor and one of the team's leaders, Rhonny Rosario (III) says: “Last year was a great step for us. We made the state tournament, and we had guys in the 8th grade battling and winning against seniors from other schools, and that gave all of us the confidence that we can beat anybody.” He is one of the top players in the Dual County League, finishing the season with a score of 16-3. Jordan Tolbert (IV) leaves other teams trembling. This prodigy has emerged as one of the elite players in the DCL, and his 19-0 record this year shows that he will never lose. Gabe McGlaughlin (III) may not be tall, but don't let his scrawny appearance fool you. He has the power to blow you away. When asked about the season,

McGlaughlin said: “We thought that we would make a state tournament appearance, but we just kept going hard everyday and we exceeded the expectations.” Tom Jenkins (III) has been on the team for a few years now, and has seen not only himself, but his teammates, grow into great players: “We always knew we would be good when we were in 8th and 9th grade, but the hard work and grueling practices have really put us over the top faster than we expected”. All of the top talent isn't on Varsity either. Jeremiah Link (IV) has anchored his part and is the future of BLS Boy's Tennis. As this team continues to grow, we can only imagine what they can do when they're all grown up.



# SPORTS

## Leading the Pack

By **BRIAN MYLETT, II**  
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Latin softball has come out swinging...literally. The girls have jumped out to a 17-3 start, considering they have three of the Dual County League's leading hitters in their line up. Lauren O'Shea (V) is hitting .577, Michelle Ventura (I) is hitting .515 and Mary Demoura (IV) is hitting .492. Couple that with the right arm of pitcher Emily Berardi (II), and you have a recipe for success. Through 16 starts Berardi has thrown 108 innings, striking out 141 batters and gone 13-3 with a 1.04 earned run average for the Wolfpack. She has been dominant the whole season and at times, even perfect. She tossed a no-hitter against Ursuline, and as if that were not good enough, she came back and threw a perfect game against Newton South High School. Berardi, however, is the first to stress, "We have been playing as a team, we win together, and we lose together."

The team is an extremely close unit. They are so comfortable with each other that two of the team members, Tonia Speicher and Bridget Quinn, have not even washed their uniforms once all season. It is the team's good luck charm, and it seems to be working. One other reason for the teams success comes in the

form of assistant coach Mr. Bernazzani. Although Bernazzani was not able to help the Boston Latin School Boys' Golf Team,

have stepped up as well. Hopefully, these girls will be able to end their BLS softball careers with a bang because they sure are



THE SOFTBALL TEAM!!

he has been a great motivator for both the Girls' Basketball Team and now Softball Team. Mr. B brings loads of energy and motivation to the team. The team has been led by its seniors. Captains Samantha McGilvray (I) and Michelle Ventura (I) have led the charge, but they have been accompanied by the other seniors, who

setting the stage to do so. Many players have graduated with a sense of defeat in the past years. In fact, in the past three years, the girls have made the tournament and subsequently lost in the first round. This year, however, seems to be different. One factor that has remained constant in the team's success is Coach Holland. He

has formed teams in the past years that have been very good, but none that seem to be as good as this one.

The Wolfpack offense at times can be dangerous. When one bat comes alive, they all seem to; the team feeds off of each other. The losses that the Wolfpack have suffered were to top ranked DCL opponents--two of those losses coming in as extra inning heart breakers. Because of their great record and how well they played even in their losses, the girls have earned the honor of calling themselves the seventh ranked team in the state according to the Boston Globe. The team has even caught the attention of BLS students, which is saying a lot, considering that our school is generally not known for its athletics. The girls have proven that they can play with anyone this year. Every game they go out and compete, and their record is a direct result. Jackie McDonagh (II) sums up the team's attitude looking towards the tournament, "Acton Boxborough better pray they don't see us in the playoffs." The Wolfpack ended against Lexington in a valiant 5-1 loss last weekend. Michelle Ventura (I) was their sole scorer, complemented by strong showings from pitcher Emily Berardi (II), first basewoman Samatha McGilvray (I) and shortstop Lydia Federico (III).

## Bruins Playoffs

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The Boston Bruins suck. You know it, I know it, and the Bruins players cry themselves to sleep every night because by now, just about everyone knows it.

Who else could have screwed this up so royally? Do 3-0 leads (in the series and in the decisive game seven) really have no impact at all? The "Ruins" have forever stamped their names on the wall of shame, accompanied by the 1975 Penguins and the 1942 Red Wings, the only



MARC SAVARD: NOT SMILING ANYMORE

two other teams to accomplish such an undesirable feat in the history of the National Hockey League. Ask around, and people will cite everything from injuries to overconfidence as excuses for the "B's" being upset, but there is simply no way to excuse this atrocity. There are some facts, yes, and explanations, perhaps, that could give us reason to forgive them, but when it comes down to it, the Bruins blew it. There is just nothing else to it.

It all started well, only to end so badly. Confidently taking control of the first three games, the Bruins appeared to be the better team, and it seemed a shoo-in that they would win the Series decisively. With injured key players such as Marco Sturm and the immensely talented David Krejci, however, the Bruins could not pull off the necessary final victory. To make things worse, the hated Simon Gagne returned for the Flyers and put a dagger in the hearts of Bruins fans

with his overtime goal in game four. They then lost game five, game six, and before anyone knew it, the season was over.

In the end, the Flyers emerged as the better team. In the last four games, the "B's" were over-matched and outplayed by Philadelphia's never give in attitude and stifling defense. The Bruins were not getting the scoring opportunities the Flyers were, and even the new Bruins hero Tuukka Rask was not able to stop the puck when it mattered most. The Bruins head coach, Claude Julien, summed it up as, "The team that won tonight deserved it; let's not forget that.

They worked hard, they got themselves back in, and, as people mentioned, they got some healthy bodies back and they became stronger and better as the Series went on. They found a way to win." In the end, however, the fact remains that Boston had four opportunities to clinch the series, move on to the Eastern Conference Finals and possibly hoist the Stanley Cup. They failed.

Admittedly, such a gargantuan feat is impressive for Philly, and they deserve to be lauded for it. Unfortunately for us, the Bruins' mediocrity as a team is nothing new. Not since Cam Neeley, has Beantown seen a 50 goal scorer, and, while their play does keep the "Hub of Hockey" on its toes, it is because of their inconsistency rather than the excitement. Sometimes they are on their game, sometimes they are off. They have youth, promise and skill, but one thing they do not have is reliability. Maybe they lack the spirit, maybe they have bad luck or maybe it is because the Bruins just suck.

## Mayweather Mosley

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After embarrassing the established veteran Juan Manuel "The Peepee-Man" Marquez with a dominating performance in their 12-round bout on September 19, 2009, Floyd "Money" Mayweather was almost immediately challenged by an adversary of greater size and almost equal speed, "Sugar" Shane Mosley. The latter entered the ring during Mayweather's post-fight interview with HBO Boxing analyst, Max Kellerman, who prodded Mayweather on his thoughts about a mega-fight with pound-for-pound champion, Manny Pacquiao. Kellerman, a wiry and almost feeble analyst, was noticeably petrified as shouting erupted between the victorious Mayweather and the aggressive Mosley. Caught in the line of fire by a boxer one step away from establishing his legacy, Mayweather saw the challenge and accepted it under one condition: Olympic Drug Testing, a process that involves blood-drawing and urine samples. Most opponents find this request superfluous because the World Boxing Commission has its own drug testing process. Mosley was more than willing to abide by the condition, for they both share a dream of a steroid-free sport that is already more than corrupted by greed and ego.

As the training camps came to a grueling end, the anticipation of the fighters was surely complimented by "WHO R U PICKING?," the HBO Pay-Per-View title. On one hand was the quintessential new-age boxer, Floyd "Money" Mayweather. On the other hand was a former champion of three different weight classes, hungry to make his legacy known to the world, "Sugar" Shane Mosley. Even with a record of 40-0, experts were skeptical of Mayweather's ability to handle an opponent who is not only physically bigger than he, but an opponent of swift speed as well. Experts can say whatever they want, but it is clearly evident that the monotonous droning of statistics and predictions is nowhere close to as passionate as the fighters' pre-bout words during media week. Now, of course,

with the Mayweather team being loaded with pompous, arrogant, yet successful boxing connoisseurs, it is no surprise that they were not short of words about being undefeated, or being prizefighters or simply about being "THE BEST EVER!" The most insightful words, however, were most definitely spoken by Mosley's trainer Naazim Richardson, who eloquently stated, "Shane's gonna go in there and pummel Mayweather in the first couple rounds, but then Floyd's going to spread his wings, turn into a dragon, and start breathing fireballs. It is our job to avoid those fireballs, because they will be coming." Richardson was spot on.

The night was May 1, 2010. Almost 461 days after his last bout with welterweight champ Antonio Marguerito, Mosley came out of his corner thundering away at his opponent, the evasive yet tactful, Floyd Mayweather. Usually two fighters of such elite stature give a few rounds to "feel each other out" for strategy. This fight was different, and the action came straight out at the start, as Mosley built his offense off his devastating right hand. Mosley kept this strategy up through the first two rounds and even made the all-evasive Mayweather buckle after landing a destructive right hand. Mayweather buckled so low, you would have thought he was Michael DeSalvo doing the "stanky leg". But Floyd Mayweather does not call himself the best for no reason. He backed off, regained his composure and stayed persistent with his effective counter punching, as the much older Mosley grew tired in the later rounds. It is safe to say that the first two rounds lived up to the hype, for even I thought that the underdog Mosley was going to have his taste at legacy. As Mayweather built his offense off of his near flawless defense, however, the fight turned out to be an onslaught in favor of Mayweather, who won 10 rounds to 2, landing 208 punches contrasted to Mosley's feeble 92. Only one thing is in the back of everyone's mind now: When will Mayweather and Pacquiao face off? Rumors say it can be as early as November of this year but reports remain unconfirmed.



# SPORTS

## Well Played, Wolfpack

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There have been some substantial changes in the Boston Latin School Boys' Baseball Team over the past couple of years. Inevitably, there has been an influx of former Junior Varsity players due to the seniors' graduation. In addition, Rene Gauthier is in his second year as head coach after taking over for the 2008-2009 season. The most notable change is probably the team's increased success. Captain Trevor Sybertz (I) simply states, "My favorite thing about this season is the fact that we are winning." Previous seasons include numerous disappointing finishes, including a 9-11 record two years ago and ten straight losses to finish the season last year. This season, however, BLS baseball quickly secured enough wins to place in the state tournament. Despite their first round loss to Peabody, the team has a bright future ahead and they're not looking back anytime soon.

The closeness of this season's team seems to be key to their numerous triumphs. "Our team is very close this year," states Justin Evangelista (I), one of the team's three captains. "Other years the team hasn't really come together, but [this year] everyone wants to be there and contribute to our season." Those contributions have really made a difference. With the pitching staff depleted by departing seniors, the team has had to look elsewhere, turning to the con-

tinued leadership of older players as well as the efforts of younger ones. Among the experienced players are Captain

a very good pitcher for us, and when he's not pitching, he plays third base and has made some great plays defensively." In

tough games this season. Among these is a comeback win on April 21 against Wayland. After trailing 4-3 coming into the seventh inning, the team put together seven hits for a 6-4 final score. Evangelista states, "It was a great comeback, and we proved that we can scrap for hits and play really good ball when the game is on the line." Another close game followed, when the team beat Acton-Boxborough Regional High School on April 23 to establish itself as a force within the league. "They are one of the best teams every year, and so when we beat them 7-6, that's when everybody else in the league started giving us more respect and knew that we were for real," says Sybertz, when asked about the importance of the victory.

The team started strong and never slowed down, clinching a playoff spot against Peabody in early June. Though they did not emerge victorious against their foe, the focus should remain on their success throughout the season. 2009-2010 Male Athlete of the Year Justin Evangelista adds, "My favorite thing this season has been playing with a team that wants to be there every day and works as hard as they can for two hours to win. It's been a fun ride this year, and we want this to continue."



SENIOR CAPTAINS EVANGELISTA, MCDONOUGH, AND SYBERTZ (FROM LEFT)

Kevin McDonough (I) and Brian Mylett (II). Mylett helped the team get off to a good start with a no-hitter in a 14-1 win against Boston Latin Academy in the season's first game. Speaking about the contributions of younger players, Sybertz states, "Malcolm Nachmanoff (IV) has played a big role for us. He has been

fact, Evangelista states, "Everyone has really stepped up their game defensively and has helped us get off to the great start we have now." He adds, "There isn't one person who hasn't done something to boost us in a game this year."

The team has used these many contributions to battle its way through

## If You Knew Crew

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You may have noticed in the past few months that you are sitting next to a girl in class whose hands are covered with blisters. You may even say to yourself, "How in the world did she get those nasty looking things all over her hands?" This girl is a member of one of the most hard-working and dedicated sports teams at Boston Latin School, the Girls' Crew Team. Despite the popular belief there are 90 girls on the roster, only about 45 of these "insane individuals" exist. Nearly all of these girls could most likely lift more weight than half the kids in our school. Their season is also



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one of the longest, lasting from January until June, with practices every single day from about 3 to 7 P.M. The majority of this is spent lifting weights, conditioning and rowing, either in school or on the Charles River. These girls come from almost every grade, and all of them participate equally in making the team successful. Another key factor of their success is their strong coaching staff.

In the previous three seasons, they have made it to Nationals, but this season they missed the cut by a 5th place finish (they needed third place to qualify), in a race many of them called "heartbreaking." When asked about the race Katie O'Neil (II) said, "It was rough; it was the first time the team hasn't qualified in three years. No one had any regrets about their racing though, we were the fastest we've ever been but it just so

happened that so was every other team in the Northeast." It is a large mistake, however, to misjudge the heart and soul of all of these girls, who show some of the strongest school spirits and some of the most decorated records of all spring sports.

The present juniors and underclassmen realize that next year will be a challenge for them. It is only a

question of whether or not they will be prepared for it. With a total of eight seniors leaving, including the three captains, Caroline Kiritsy (I), Beata Coloyan (I) and Marcelle Goggins (I), the rising seniors must take on the roles as leaders. The juniors are determined to face the task and bring their team to Nationals next year. Help will come from strong underclassmen, such as Rachel Wolsfelt (III) and Caroline McCaughey (III) who, as O'Neil says, "have proven their spots in Varsity boats." They feel confident that they can achieve their goal.

So next time you see that girl whose hands are covered with blisters and who is sleeping in class because of exhaustion, make sure you look at her with some respect because that girl is an athlete. She is a successful, hard-working one too.

## NBA Finals

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Russell versus Chamberlain. Bird versus Magic. East versus West. Grit versus glamor. The most storied rivalry in sports comes to life again this season as the underdog Boston Celtics try to finish their postseason run against the defending champion Los Angeles Lakers.

The Lakers have been playing typical Laker basketball. Kobe Bryant, Pau Gasol and Derek Fisher had outstanding post-season performances. Andrew Bynum and Ron Artest have had flashes of living up to their hype offensively, but they have had a bigger impact on the defense end with altering shots and rebounding. Jordan Farmar and Lamar Odom had the biggest impact off the bench, with Odom on most nights outshining the younger Bynum. Overall, the Lakers have beaten teams with a stifling defense and Kobe Bryant on offense.

The Celtics have returned recharged, after their embarrassing ousting in the Eastern Conference Finals last year by the Orlando Magic, with veterans Kevin Garnett and Paul Pierce, healthy and playing as they did in the 2008 championship. Kendrick Perkins and Rajon Rondo have also proven themselves this postseason, with Perkins locking down the post and Rondo being the biggest offensive threat in his career. The bench has returned to championship caliber as well, with P.J. Brown and James Posey being replaced by veterans Rasheed Wallace and Michael Finley. Nate Robinson, Glen Davis and Tony Allen have also provided a spark off the bench on both ends of the floor.

The champions this season are going to be decided by one sole factor: who can find the most ways to score against tough defense. The Lakers have length and shot-blocking in Gasol and Bynum, who have already overcome premier big men Carlos Boozer, Jeff Green and Amar'e Stoudimire.

Ron Artest is also one of the best defenders in the National Basketball Association and will draw the assignment of shutting down Paul Pierce, shooting almost 40 percent beyond the arc and averaging a shade under 20 points. The Celtics, on the other hand, are also a traditionally defense-oriented team. Garnett is once again playing dominant post defense, badly needed against the super-skilled Gasol. Perkins can lock up Bynum, as he did with Shaq and Dwight Howard. Ray Allen is one of the best defenders against Kobe Bryant in the NBA, forcing him to only 19 points a game against the Celtics.

Offensively, this will be a difficult series to call. Pierce and Kobe can go for 30 points any given game, regardless of tough defense. Garnett and Gasol can take over the paint. Fisher can light it up from downtown, and Rondo's improved jump shot will make that a nightmare matchup for the noticeably less athletic Fisher. Both teams also have firebrands off the bench who are capable of big games, such as Odom for the Lakers and Wallace and Davis for us.

This series is going to be competitive, it is going to be rough, and it might even get a little chippy. The defense will be intense and the offense will be very exciting to watch. I could sit here and recite stats all day, but at the end of the day, the Finals this year are going to be about will and will alone. The Thunder, Jazz and Suns were able to give the Lakers a good run due to their resilience and refusal to quit. Unfortunately for the Lakers, the Celtics are one of the tougher teams in the league, led by three All-Stars, multiple former champions and mountains of experience. The Lakers are one of the best-organized teams under legendary coach Phil Jackson, which will force the Celtics to be consistent, which, frankly, they are not.

I'm going to go Celtics in six. See you all at the parade.



